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MAY, 1762.

At the General Aſſembly of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, and *Providence Plantations*, in *New-England*, in *America*; begun and holden at *Newport*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on the Firſt Wedneſday in *May*, in the Year of our LORD, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-two, and Second of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty GEORGE the Third, by the Grace of GOD, King of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Hon. STEPHEN HOPKINS, Eſq; Gov.

The Hon. JOHN GARDNER, Eſq; Deputy Governor.

JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq;
NICHOLAS EASTON, Eſq;
NICHOLAS COOKE, Eſq;
JONATHAN FREEBORN, Eſq;
} Aſſiſtants.

JOSEPH LIPPITT, Eſq;
JOSEPH HARRIS, Eſq;
HENRY GARDNER, Eſq;
THOMAS CHURCH, Eſq;
} Aſſiſtants.

The SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES from the ſeveral TOWNS.

NEWPORT;
Mr. *Gideon Wanton*, jun.
Mr. *John Wanton* (Son of *Gideon*)
George Hazard, Eſq;
John Jepſon, Eſq;
Capt. *Daniel Ayrault*,
Capt. *William Read*.

PROVIDENCE;
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq;
Mr. *Joſeph Naſh*,
Mr *Joſeph Olney*.
Mr. *George Jackſon*,

PORTSMOUTH;
John Shearman, jun. Eſq;
David Anthony, Eſq;
Robert Burrington, jun. Eſq;
Mr. *George Brownel*.

WARWICK;
Philip Greene, Eſq;
Othniel Gorton, Eſq;
Col. *James Arnold*.
Capt. *Holden Rice*.

WESTERLY;
Capt. *George Stillman*,
Mr. *James Babcock*, jun

NEW-SHOREHAM;
Mr. *Nathaniel Littlefield*,
Mr. *Edmond Sheffield*.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN;
Mr. *Ezekiel Gardner*,
Mr. *Samuel Boone*, jun.

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN;
Mr. *William Potter*,
Mr. *Thomas Potter*, jun.

EAST-GREENWICH;
Giles Peirce, Eſq;
Capt. *Benjamin Greene*.

JAMESTOWN ;
Capt. *William Haſzard*,
Mr. *George Franklin*.
SMITHFIELD ;
Thomas Arnold, Eſq;
Mr. *Jonathan Arnold*, jun.
SCITUATE ;
Job Randal, Eſq;
Jeremiah Angel, Eſq;
GLOUCESTER ;
Richard Steere, Eſq;
Capt. *Joſeph Winſor*.
CHARLESTOWN ;
Robert Potter, Eſq;
Capt. *John Champlin*.
WEST-GREENWICH ;
Benjamin Tillinghaſt, Eſq;
Capt. *Charles Carr*.
COVENTRY ;
Caleb Greene, Eſq;
Capt. *Joab Stafford*.
EXETER ;
Mr. *John Chapman*,
Mr. *Daniel Barber*.
MIDDLETOWN ;
Mr. *James Barker*, jun.
Mr. *Jonathan Eaſton*.
BRISTOL ;
Mr. *William Bradford*,
Capt. *Daniel Bradford*.

TIVERTON ;
Thomas Anthony, Eſq;
Mr. *Job Durfee*.
LITTLE-COMPTON ;
William Hall, Eſq;
Oliver Hilyard, Eſq;
WARREN ;
James Brown, Eſq;
Mr. *Ebenezer Cole*.
CUMBERLAND ;
John Dexter, Eſq;
Capt. *Daniel Wilkinſon*.
RICHMOND ;
Joſeph Clarke, Eſq;
Thomas Kinyon, Eſq;
CRANSTON ;
John Burton, Eſq;
Mr. *Matthew Mancheſter*.
HOPKINTON ;
Maj. *Joſhua Clarke*,
John Maxſon, Eſq;
JOHNSTON ;
Thomas Owen, Eſq;
Lt. Col. *Joſiah Thornton*.

Capt. *Daniel Ayrault* was choſen Speaker ; and *Joſias Lyndon*, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

THIS being the ANNIVERSARY ELECTION of Officers, both Civil and Military, the Gentlemen whoſe Names are ſet down in the ſubſequent Liſt were choſen to ſerve the Colony, in the Offices aſcribed to their reſpective Names, to wit :

The Hon. SAMUEL WARD, Eſq; Governor ; Engaged.
The Hon. JOHN GARDNER, Eſq; Dep. Governor ; Engaged.
James Honyman, Eſq; Firſt Aſſiſtant ; Engag'd.
Nicholas Eaſton, Eſq; Second Aſſiſtant ; Engag'd.
Nicholas Tillinghaſt, Eſq; Third Aſſiſtant ; Engaged.
Darius Seſſions, Eſq, Fourth Aſſiſtant ; Engaged.
Robert Lawton, Eſq; Fifth Aſſiſtant ; Engaged.
Nathaniel Searle, Eſq; Sixth Aſſiſtant ; Engaged.
Joſeph Harris, Eſq; Seventh Aſſiſtant ; Engaged.
Francis Willet, Eſq; Eighth Aſſiſtant ; who refuſing,
Daniel Coggeſhall, Eſq; was choſen in his Stead.
Henry Gardner, Eſq; Ninth Aſſiſtant ; Engaged.
Samuel Greene, Eſq; Tenth Aſſiſtant ; Engaged.
Henry Ward, Eſq; Secretary ; Engaged.
Auguſtus Johnſton, Eſq; Attorney General : Engaged.
Joſeph Clarke, Eſq; General Treaſurer ; Engaged.

Jeremiah

Jeremiah Niles, Eſq; Chief,
Joſeph Ruſſel, Eſq; Second,
William Hall, Eſq; Third,
Nicholas Eaſton, Eſq; Fourth,
Samuel Nightingale, Eſq; Fifth.
} Juſtice of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, in and throughout the Colony.

Job Bennet, jun. Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Newport*.

Benjamin Bowen, Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*.

George Whitman, jun. Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kings-County*.

Shearjaſhub Bourn, Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Briſtol*.

James Wightman, Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kent*.

Samuel Freebody, Eſq; Lieutenant Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Newport*.

Joſiah Thornton, Eſq; Lieutenant Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*.

John Willſon, Eſq; Lieutenant Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kings-County*.

Nathaniel Caſey, Eſq; Lieutenant Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Briſtol*.

John Wells, Eſq; Lieutenant Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kent*.

Benjamin Sherburne, Eſq; Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Newport*.

Joſeph Olney, Eſq; (of *Glouceſter*) Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*.

Elias Thompſon, Eſq; Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kings-County*.

John Adams, Eſq; Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Briſtol*.

Simeon Draper, Eſq; Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kent*.

Edward Scott, Eſq; Chief,
George Haszard, Eſq; Second.
William Anthony, Eſq; Third,
Thomas Shearman, jun. Eſq; Fourth,
John Barker, Eſq; Fifth,
} Juſtice of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Newport*.

George Taylor, Eſq; Chief,
Gideon Comſtock, Eſq; Second,
Thomas Owen, Eſq; Third,
Richard Steere, Eſq, Fourth,
Jeremiah Whipple, Eſq; Fifth,
} Juſtice of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Providence*.

James Helme, Eſq; Chief,
Thomas Brown, Eſq; Second,
John Congdon, Eſq; (of *Charleſtown*) Third,
John Chapman, Eſq, Fourth,
Thomas Allen, Eſq; Fifth,
} Juſtice of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Kings-County*.

Nathaniel

Nathaniel Fales, Eſq; Chief
John Kinnicut, Eſq; Second
Peter Bicknal, Eſq; Third
William Monro, Eſq; Fourth
John Uſher, jun. Eſq; Fifth
} Juſtice of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Briſtol*,

Thomas Fry, Eſq; Chief
Rufus Greene, Eſq; Second
John Holden, Eſq; Third
John Langford, Eſq; Fourth
George Hall, Eſq; Fifth
} Juſtice of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Kent*.

CLERKS of the Superior Courts of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, within and for the Counties aſcribed to their reſpective Names.

Archibald Campbell, Eſq; *Newport*.
George Taylor, jun. Eſq; *Providence*.
Freeman Perry, Eſq; *Kings-County*.
Joſiah Finney, Eſq; *Briſtol*.
Capt. *Samuel Fry*, *Kent*.

Clerks of the Inferior Courts of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the Counties aſcribed to the reſpective Names.

Joſias Lyndon, Eſq; *Newport*.
John Foſter, Eſq; *Providence*.
Benjamin Peckham, Eſq; *Kings-County*.
Mr. *Thomas Throope*, *Briſtol*.
Capt. *Benjamin Greene*, *Kent*.

Sheriffs of the ſeveral Counties aſcribed to their reſpective Names.

Joſeph Wanton, Eſq (Son of *Gideon*) *Newport*.
Paul Tew, Eſq; *Providence*.
Gideon Hoxſie, Eſq; *Kings-County*.
Charles Church, Eſq; *Briſtol*.
Rufus Spencer, Eſq; *Kent*.

The Hon. *Gideon Wanton*, Eſq; *Edward Thurſton*, *John Jepſon*, *Obadiah Brown*, *Samuel Chace*, *James Arnold*, and *Nicholas Eaſton*, Eſqrs. the Grand Committee, or Truſtees of the Colony, for ſigning Bills of Credit.

And the aforeſaid *Edward Thurſton* is eſpecially appointed to take and have the Charge of the Colony's Mortgages and Bonds for Tenths, and to receive the money due, and to be due thereon: And alſo to make and give proper Acquittances and Diſcharges upon the Mortgages, or otherwiſe, when he receives any of the Colony's Money. And in Caſe of Non-payment, to put in Suit the Bonds and Mortgages of all thoſe that refuſe or neglect to make due payment.

And the ſame *Edward Thurſton*, is choſen General Sealer of Weights and Meaſures throughout the Government.

Henry Paget, Eſq; Public Notary for the Town and County of *Providence*.

John

John Pain, Captain; *Nathaniel Littlefield* (the Third) Lieutenant; and *Thomas Mitchell*, Enſign, of the Company or Trained Band in the Town of *New-Shoreham*.

WHEREAS the Hon. *John Gardner*, Eſq; Meſſrs. *Job Bennet*, jun. *Walter Cranſton*, and *Nathaniel Mumford*, preſented unto this Aſſembly the following Report and Account by them charged againſt the Colony, to wit:

WE the Subſcribers, with *Thomas Cranſton*, Eſq; being appointed a Committee by the Hon. General Aſſembly, at their Seſſion in *February* laſt, to receive of the General Treaſurer, the Lawful Money he hath ſold the Bills of Exchange for, in Purſuance of an Act of Aſſembly paſſed in *October*, and burn the ſame," have agreeable to ſaid Appointment, received of the General Treaſurer, Three Thouſand Six Hundred and Eighty-ſix Pounds Ten Shillings, dated *June* 23, 1759, Principal, which, with the Intereſt, amounts to Four Thouſand One Hundred and Twenty-eight Pounds Three Shillings and Two Pence Three Farthings; and alſo Six Thouſand Eight Hundred and Nineteen Pounds Ten Shillings and Nine Pence, Principal, dated *May* 8th, 1758; which with the Intereſt, amounts to Eight Thouſand and Thirty-Two Pounds Ten Shillings and Seven Pence, and have burnt the ſame accordingly.

	Principal.			*Intr. added.*			*Sterling.*			
Amount of the June Money, 1759.	2415	0	0	2705	11	1	1931	2	1	Bills drawn.
Amount of what was exchanged for Silver and Gold.	1271	10	0	1424	12	1	1017	11	6	exchanged.
	3686	10	0	4128	3	2	2948	13	7	
Amount of the May Money, 1758.	5055	5	9	5943	16	2	4245	10	6	Bills drawn.
Amount of what was exchanged for Silver and Gold.	1764	5	0	2088	14	5	1491	18	10	exchanged.
	6819	10	9	8032	10	7	5737	9	4	
Total Amount of June.	3686	10	0	4128	3	2				
Total Amount of May.	6819	10	9	8032	10	7				
Sum Total	£. 10506	0	9	12160	13	9				

Newport, April 16th, 1762.

John Gardner,
Job Bennett, jun.
Walter Cranſton,
Nathaniel Mumford.

The Colony of *Rhode-Iſland* - - Dr.---

To 5 Days each in adjuſting the above Affair, is 20 Days, at £. 6 £. 120 0 0

And the foregoing Report, and Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the former be, and the ſame is hereby accepted: That the latter be, and is hereby allowed, and that One Hundred

Twenty Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the Hon. *John Gardner*, Eſq; Meſſrs. *Job Bennet*, jun. *Walter Cranſton*, and *Nathaniel Mumford*, out of the General Treaſury.

Be it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That when the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery; and the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, are ſitting in the County of *Newport*, in Caſe a ſufficient Number of Jurors do not attend ſuch Courts, or are challenged and taken off, that in ſuch Caſe the ſaid ſeveral Courts be, and they are hereby empowered to order Taleſmen to be taken up; or to grant a Warrant to the Sheriff of the ſaid County, to return ſuch a Number of good and Lawful Men as ſhall be wanting, from any Part of the County, at his Diſcretion, to ſerve ſo long as the Court ſhall have Occaſion for them, and to be under the ſame Fine for Delinquency as thoſe that are drawn out of the Box.

An ACT for ſupplying the Treaſury with the Sum of Two Thouſand Pounds Lawful Money.

WHEREAS there is not a ſufficient Sum of Money in the Treaſury, to pay the Bounties and Wages of the Troops raiſed for the enſuing Campaign, and to ſend them to Albany.

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That the Sum of Two Thouſand Pounds Lawful Money be emitted, and immediately put into the General Treaſury, for the Payment of the Bounties and Wages, and ſending to the Place appointed the Troops raiſed by this Colony, for the enſuing Campaign: That the Bills be printed from Types in the following Form, to wit:

The Poſſeſſor of this Bill ſhall be paid by the Treaſurer of the Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, Thirty Shillings Lawful Money, at the Rate of Six Shillings and Nine Pence for One Ounce of Silver: with Intereſt at 5 per Cent. per Annum, on or before the Eighth Day of *May*, A. D. 1767. By Order of Aſſembly, the Eighth Day of *May*, A. D. 1762.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the ſaid Bills be of the Denomination of Thirty Shillings, Twenty Shillings, Ten Shillings, and Five Shillings: That an equal Number of Bills of each Denomination be ſtruck off, and ſigned by and Three of the following Perſons, to wit: *Job Bennet*, jun. *Walter Cranſton*, *Jonathan Eaſton*, *Nathaniel Mumford*, *John Jepſon*, *Edward Thurſton*, *Elias Thompſon*, and *John Davis*, jun. who are hereby appointed to ſign the ſame; which Bills when finiſhed ſhall be received by the Officers and Soldiers, in all Payments for Bounties and Wages.

And

And for the calling in and redeeming the ſaid Bills, *Be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That a Rate or Rates be aſſeſſed and levied upon the Inhabitants of this Colony, in ſuch Time or Times, that the whole may be collected and brought into the General Treaſury in Seaſon, ſo as to redeem the ſaid Bills, with the Intereſt thereon, before or upon the Eighth Day of *May*, 1767. And that the whole of the Rate or Rates to be made for that Purpoſe, ſhall be levied in the ſame Bills now ordered to be emitted, or in Silver at the Rate of Six Shillings and Nine Pence per Ounce, or in Gold at a proportionate Value: And that the Silver and Gold ſo received into the General Treaſury, be applied for the Redemption of the Bills to be emitted by this Act.

WHEREAS Mr. *George Lawton*, Keeper of His Majeſty's Gaol in *Newport*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for the Priſon Fees of *John Shearman*, Ten Weeks; for the Priſon Fees of *Nathan Quippen*, and *Benjamin Auſtin*, Eleven Weeks each; and for the Priſon Fees of *Fortune*, Eleven Weeks: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Two Hundred and Fifteen Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *George Lawton*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr, *Jonathan Jeffers*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Acount by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Attendance upon the Committee appointed to ſettle the General Eſtimate, &c. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Thirty-three Pounds Twelve Shillings, the Amount thereof be paid the ſaid *Jonathan Jeffers*, out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved; That *Benjamin Peckham*, Eſq; and Mr. *William Potter*, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to receive of the late Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery in and for the County of *Kings-County*, the Seal, Books of Record, Files of Papers, and every Thing elſe belonging to that Office, and deliver them to the preſent Clerk of the ſaid Court, giving and taking Receipts for the ſame.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That Meſſrs. *Pardon Tillinghaſt*, and *Edward Thurſton*, jun. be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to receive from the late Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, in and for the County of *Newport*, the Seal, Books of Record, Files of Papers, and every Thing elſe belonging to that Office, and deliver them to the preſent Clerk of the ſaid Court, giving and taking Receipts for the ſame.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *James Angel*, Eſq; and Mr. *William Wheaton*, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to receive of the late Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, in and for the Connty of *Providence*, the Seal, Books of Record, Files of Papers, and every Thing elſe belonging to that

that Office, and deliver them to the preſent Clerk of the ſaid Court, giving and taking Receipts for the ſame. And alſo to receive of the late Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, in and for the County aforeſaid, the Seal, Books of Record, Files of Papers, and every Thing elſe belonging to that Office, and deliver them to the preſent Clerk of the ſaid Court, giving and taking Receipts for the ſame.

WHEREAS Col. *John Whiting* is about to proceed to Fort *Stanwix*, and it is probable he may inliſt ſome of the Forces now there in the Pay of this Colony, as Recruits for His Majeſty's Regular Regiments in *North-America*, agreeable to the Requeſt of His Excellency General *Amherſt*, *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid *John Whiting* be, and he is hereby empowered to inliſt the Soldiers at Fort *Stanwix*, in the Pay of this Colony, as Recruits for His Majeſty's Regular Regiments in *North-America*: And that all ſuch Perſons as ſhall be inliſted by him into the aforeſaid Service, ſhall be intituled to, and receive the ſame Bounty, as if they were inliſted in this Colony.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That Capt. *Holden Rice*, and *Benjamin Tillinghaſt*, Eſq; be, and they are hereby appointed Directors of the Lottery granted by the General Aſſembly, at the laſt Seſſion, for raiſing a Sum of Money to be applied to building a Workhouſe in the County of *Kent*, in the Room of Meſſrs. *Thomas Greene* and *Abel Potter*, who decline ſerving.

WHEREAS Mr. *Nathaniel Helme*, late of *South-Kingſtown*, now reſiding in *Newport*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That he was Keeper of His Majeſty's Gaol in *South-Kingſtown* aforeſaid, from the Year 1753 to the Year 1761. That the preſent War was commenced ſoon after he became Keeper of ſaid Gaol; during which a great Number of Perſons have been committed to ſaid Gaol, for leſs Sums than he could hold them for, provided they inliſted into the Colony's Service. That many Perſons ſo committed to Gaol did actually inliſt into the Forces raiſed by this Colony from Time to Time, and were taken out of Gaol without making any Satisfaction to him for their Board, for the Time he was obliged to ſupport them with Victuals and Drink: By which Means he hath had many and heavy Loſſes; which together with his other Misfortunes (he having One Son about Twenty Years of Age, who hath been a Cripple from a Child to this Day, and not ever been able to do One Days Work) hath reduced him ſo much, that he cannot pay his juſt Debts without converting his Real Eſtate into Money. That he hath a good Deed of Three Acres of Land, lying at *Little-Reſt* in *South-Kingſtown* aforeſaid, about Eight Rods from the Court-Houſe, bounded Southerly on the Highway, with a good Dwelling Houſe, a large Barn, and a Shoemaker's Shop thereon ſtanding. That Money is ſo hard to be raiſed, that he cannot ſell the ſaid Eſtate for but little more than Half the Value, which will not be ſufficient to pay his juſt Debts. And thereupon the Petitioner prayed this Aſſembly to grant him Liberty to ſell the ſaid Land and Buildings, by a Lottery to be ſet forth agreeable to a Scheme that ſhall be agreed upon by the Directors, to be appointed by this Aſſembly.

On

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the foregoing Petition be, and the ſame is hereby granted: Provided no Charge accrue to the Colony.

WHEREAS *John Shearman* preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That by the juſt Providence of God he is now a Priſoner in His Majeſty's Gaol in *Newport*, and under Sentence of Death for Burglary: That he is truly ſenſible of the heinous Nature of his Crimes, and truſts that he repents of them with the deepeſt Contrition. That although he hath greatly offended againſt the Laws of God and Society, yet he hath not ſpilt the Blood of Man, nor in the Proſecution of his Sins been guily of any Barbarity to his Fellow Creatures. That he is the Firſt Perſon in this Colony who hath been condemned to die for that Offence; and that the Sentence which hath been paſſed upon him (although the ſame be not carried into Execution) will be a great Warning to all Perſons to avoid the like Crimes. That if he knows his own Heart, he would not deſire to be pardoned, if he thought he ſhould again be given up to ſuch an iniquitous Life. That on the contrary he hopes and is aſſured, that if his Life be ſpared, the Remainder of it will be ſpent in giving God the Glory, in Repentance for his Sins, and in endeavouring to make all poſſible Recompence to Mankind. And thereupon he prayed this Aſſembly to remit the Sentence of Death which is paſſed upon him, with ſuch Conditions and Reſtrictions as ſhall be tho't proper.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Execution of the Sentence of Death paſſed againſt the ſaid *John Shearman* be, and the ſame is hereby reſpited for the Space of Fourteen Months, from and after the Riſing of this Aſſembly. And this Aſſembly recommends the ſaid *John Shearman* to the Mercy of His Majeſty.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Two Indians now in His Majeſty's Gaol in *Newport*, who were brought from the County of *Albany*, and committed upon an Accuſation of Murther, be ſent back under the Care of Col. *Samuel Roſe*: Who is hereby directed upon his Arrival at *New-York*, to wait upon *Benjamin Prat*, Eſq; Chief Juſtice of the Province of *New-York*, and follow his Directions reſpecting them.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That Meſſrs. *John Caſe*, *Thomas Potter*, and *Preſerved Pearce* be, and they are hereby appointed Directors of the Lottery granted to *Nathaniel Helme*.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the ſeveral Committees who were appointed at the Seſſion held in *February* laſt, to ſettle the Accounts of the Committee of War, in the ſeveral Counties in this Colony, be, and they are hereby continued for that Purpoſe. And that thay make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *John Jepſon*, *Job Bennet*, jun, *John Wanton*, *Jonathan Eaſton*, *Walter Cranſton*, *Nathaniel Mumford*, and *Elias Thompſon*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for ſigning £. 5000 Lawful Money, dated *March* 20, 1762. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Twenty-five Pounds Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *John Jepſon*, *Job*

Bennet, jun. *John Wanton*, *Jonathan Eaſton*, *Walter Cranſton*, *Nathaniel Mumford.* and *Elias Thompſon*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Eliſha Sanford*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for 14 Days Service in overſeeing the Printing of £. 7000 Lawful Money, at £. 6 per Day. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Eighty-four Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Eliſha Sanford* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *John Jepſon*, *Job Bennet*, jun. *John Wanton*, *Jonathan Eaſton*, *Walter Cranſton*, *Nathaniel Mumford*, and *Edward Thurſton*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for ſigning £. 2000 Lawful Money, dated *April* 10, 1762. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Ten Pounds Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *John Jepſon*, *Job Bennet*, jun. *John Wanton*, *Jonathan Eaſton*, *Walter Cranſton*, *Nathaniel Mumford.* and *Edward Thurſton*, out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That all Officers civil and military, who were to have been choſen at this Seſſion of Aſſembly, and were not, be, and they are hereby continued in their reſpective Offices, until the next Seſſion, with as full Power, and ample Authority, as they have ever been veſted with ſince they were choſen, commiſſioned, and engaged.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Daniel Jenckes*, and *Eliſha Brown*, Eſqrs. be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to receive of the Hon. *Stephen Hopkins*, Eſq; late Governor of this Colony, the Charter, and what elſe is in his Hands belonging to the Colony; and deliver the ſame to his Honor the preſent Governor, giving and taking Receipts for the ſame.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *Stephen Richmond*, *Benjamin Reynolds*, *Jeoffry Champlin*, *Caleb Arnold*, and *Newman Perkins*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for their Service in taking an Eſtimate of the Rateable Eſtates in the Town of *Exeter*, as follows, to wit:

Stephen Richmond,	15 Days and an Half, at 6*s*	£.	4	13 0
Benjamin Raynolds,	13 Days and an Half, and 3 Days and an Half Attendance upon the Committee appointed to form a General Eſtimate, is 17 Days, at 6*s*		5	2 0
Jeffry Champlin,	12 Days, at 6*s*		3	12 0
Caleb Arnold,	15 Days and an Half, at 6*s*		4	13 0
Newman Perkins,	13 Days and an Half, at 6*s*		4	1 0
		£.	22	1 0

And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Four Pounds Thirteen Shillings Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Stephen Richmond*, Five Pounds Two Shillings Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Benjamin Raynolds*, Three Pounds Twelve Shillings Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Jeffry Champlin*; Four Pounds Thirteen Shillings Lawful Money, be

paid

paid the ſaid *Caleb Arnold*; and Four Pounds One Shilling Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Newman Perkins*, out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion: That the Secretary publiſh the Acts and Orders now made and paſſed, by Beat of Drum in the Town of *Newport*, within Ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, and within Thirty Days, ſend Copies of the ſame, to each Town Clerk in the Colony: And that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned to the Second Monday in *June* next.

GOD Save the KING.

Publiſhed according to Order, on Monday the Fifteenth Day of May, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-two, by

HENRY WARD, *Secr'y.*

A true Copy duly examined.

Witneſs *Henry Ward Secry.*

the General Aſſembly of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, and *Providence Plantations*, in *New-England*, in *America*; begun and holden by Adjournment, at *Newport*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on the Second Monday of *June*, in the Year of our LORD, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-two, and Second of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty GEORGE the Third, by the Grace of GOD, King of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Hon. SAMUEL WARD, Eſq; Gov.

The Hon. JOHN GARDNER, Eſq; Deputy Governor.

Aſſiſtants.
JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq;
NICHOLAS EASTON, Eſq;
NICHOLAS TILLINGHAST, Eſq;
DARIUS SESSIONS, Eſq;

ROBERT LAWTON, Eſq;
NATHANIEL SEARLE, Eſq;
JOSEPH HARRIS, Eſq;
SAMUEL GREENE, Eſq;
Aſſiſtants.

The SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES from the ſeveral TOWNS.

The Hon. DANIEL AYRAULT, Eſq; Speaker.

NEWPORT;
Mr. *Gideon Wanton*, jun.
Mr. *John Wanton* (Son of *Gideon*)
George Hazard, Eſq;
John Jepſon, Eſq;
The Speaker.
Capt. *William Read.*

PROVIDENCE;
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq;
Mr. *Joſeph Naſh*,
Mr *Joſeph Olney.*
Mr. *George Jackſon*,

PORTSMOUTH;
John Shearman, jun. Eſq;
David Anthony, Eſq;
Robert Burrington, jun. Eſq;
Mr. *George Brownel.*

WARWICK;
Philip Greene, Eſq;
Othniel Gorton, Eſq;
Col. *James Arnold.*
Capt. *Holden Rice.*

WESTERLY;
Capt. *George Stillman*,
Mr. *James Babcock*, jun.

NEW-SHOREHAM;
Mr. *Edmond Sheffield.*

NORTH-KINGSTOWN;
Mr. *Ezekiel Gardner*,
Mr. *Samuel Boone*, jun.

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN;
Mr. *William Potter*,
Mr. *Thomas Potter*, jun.

EAST-GREENWICH;
Giles Peirce, Eſq;
Capt. *Benjamin Greene.*

JAMESTOWN;

JAMESTOWN,
Capt. *William Haſzard*,
Mr. *George Franklin*.
SMITHFIELD;
Thomas Arnold, Eſq;
Mr. *Jonathan Arnold*, jun.
SCITUATE;
Job Randal, Eſq;
Jeremiah Angel, Eſq;
GLOUCESTER;
Richard Steere, Eſq;
Capt. *Joſeph Winſor*.
CHARLESTOWN;
Robert Potter, Eſq;
Capt. *John Champlin*.
WEST-GREENWICH;
Benjamin Tillinghaſt, Eſq;
Capt. *Charles Carr*.
COVENTRY;
Caleb Greene, Eſq;
Capt. *Joab Stafford*.
EXETER;
Mr. *John Chapman*,
Mr. *Daniel Barber*.
MIDDLETOWN;
Mr. *James Barker*, jun.
Mr. *Jonathan Eaſton*.
BRISTOL;
Mr. *William Bradford*,
Capt. *Daniel Bradford*.
TIVERTON;
Thomas Anthony, Eſq;
Mr. *Job Durfee*.
LITTLE-COMPTON;
William Hall, Eſq;
Oliver Hilyard, Eſq;
WARREN;
James Brown, Eſq;
Mr. *Ebenezer Cole*.
CUMBERLAND;
John Dexter, Eſq;
RICHMOND;
Joſeph Clarke, Eſq;
Thomas Kinyon, Eſq;
CRANSTON;
John Burton, Eſq;
HOPKINTON;
Maj. *Joſhua Clarke*,
JOHNSTON;
Thomas Owen, Eſq;

JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

Both Houſes being reſolved into a Grand Committe, choſe the following Perſons to ſerve the Colony, in the Offices aſcribed to their Names reſpectively.

JUSTICES of the PEACE for the ſeveral Towns.

NEWPORT;
Martin Howard,
Samuel Collins,
Charles Bardin,
Peter Eaſton,
Henry Ward,
Barnabas Hargill,
Daniel Goddard,
John Grelea, jun.
John Davis, jun.
Jonathan Eaſton,
James Milward,
John Butts.
PROVIDENCE;
Joſeph Snow,
John Foſter,
James Angel,
John Comſtock,
John Olney,
James Thurber,
Benoni Pearce,
Peter Randal,
Amos Atwell.
PORTSMOUTH;
John Almy,
Robert Burrington, jun.
Benjamin Fiſh,
Benjamin Tallman,
Samuel Pearce.
WARWICK;
Eliſha Greene,
John Greene (Son of *Peter*)
Ebenezer Slocum,
Samuel Gorton (Son of *Samuel*)
Silas Clapp,
Hugh Eſſex.
WESTERLY:

WESTERLY ;
Benoni Smith,
Joſeph Crandal,
Stephen Saunders,
Abraham Borden,
Joſeph Clarke (Son of *Thomas*)
Jchabod Babcock, jun.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN ;
Joſeph Coggeſhall,
Caleb Clark,
Charles Tillinghaſt,
John Cleveland,
William Smith,
James Fones,
Caleb Hill,

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN ;
Samuel Teffi,
John Caſe,
Francis Tanner,
John Lillibridge.

EAST-GREENWICH ;
Giles Pierce,
John Olin,
Job Comſtock,
Samuel Warner,
Jonathan Johnſton,
Thomas Corey,

SMITHFIELD ;
William Arnold,
Daniel Smith (Son of *Eliſha*)
John Aldrich,
John Sayles, jun.
Jonathan Sayles,
Jabez Harris,
Ezekiel Comſtock.

SCITUATE ;
Samuel Dorrance,
Gideon Harris,
Charles Harris,
Benjamin Slack,
John Fiſk,
Thomas Hill,
Oliver Weſtcote,
John Peirce.

GLOUCESTER ;
Andrew Brown,
Timothy Wilmarth,
Benjamin Smith.
Iſrael Sayles,
Jonah Steere,
Silas Williams,
Jonathan Harris.

CHARLESTOWN ;
Peleg Croſs,
Benjamin Hoxſie,
Simeon Perry,

WEST-GREENWICH ;
Philip Greene,
Preſerved Hall,
Gideon Ellis,
Benjamin Tillinghaſt,
Job Spencer,
Samuel Hopkins, jun.

COVENTRY ;
Thomas Matteſon,
John Rice,
Adam Kaſſon,
Obadiah Johnſon,
Edward Caſey.

EXETER ;
Benjamin Reynolds,
Newman Perkins,
Thomas Joſſelyn,
Solomon Brayman,
James Bliven,
John Gardner,
John Gardner (Son of *Ezekiel*)

MIDDLETOWN ;
William Peckham, jun.
Joſeph Peabody,
William Baley,
Gideon Coggeſhall,

BRISTOL ;
John Throop, jun.
Daniel Bradford,
Joſeph Waldron,
John Waldron,
John Wardwell.

TIVERTON ;
Thomas Anthony,
William Willcox,
Reſtcome Sanford,
Joſeph Stafford,
John Bowen.

LITTLE-COMPTON ;
Joſeph Wood,
Richard Brownel,
Conſtant Southworth,
Oliver Hilyard.

WARRIN ;
John Wheaton,
Joſeph Butterworth,
Matthew Watſon,
Hezekiah Tiffany,
Elijah Rawſon,
Solomon Peck.

CUMBERLAND ;
John Dexter,
Job Bartlet,
Uriah Jillſon,
John Gould,
Stephen Brown.

RICH-

RICHMOND;

John Webſter,
Thomas Kinyon,
Thomas Lillibridge,

CRANSTON;

James Harris,
Thomas Corp,
Zuriel Waterman.

HOPKINTON;

Benjamin Randal,
Joſhua Clarke,
John Maxſon, jun.
John Whitter.

JOHNSTON;

Edward Sheldon,
Abraham Belknap,
Joſeph Waterman,
John Fenner.

Officers to command the reſpective Companies of Militia or Trained Bands in this Colony.

NEWPORT.

First Company.

James Cahoone, jun. Captain.
Jethro Spooner, Lieutenant,
Samuel Yeates, Enſign.

Second Company.

Thomas Richardſon (Son of *Ebenezer*) Captain,
Ebenezer Davenport, jun. Lieutenant.
Jonathan Davenport, Enſign.

Third Company.

Timothy Balch, Captain,
Edward Simmons, Lieutenant,
Thomas George, Enſign.

Fourth Company.

Timothy Ingraham, Captain,
Joſeph Howland, Lieutenant,
John Launders, Enſign.

PROVIDENCE.

First Company.

Barnard, Eddy, Captain,
Daniel Snow, Lieutenant,
Ames Kinnicut, Enſign.

Second Company.

Benjamin Whipple, jun. Capt.
William Brown, Lieutenant,
Luther Hawkins, Enſign.

Third Company.

Ephraim Wheaton, Captain,
David Burr, jun. Lieutenant,
John Gorham, Enſign.

PORTSMOUTH;

First Company.

Earl Weſtcote, Captain,
Jeremiah Lawton, Lieutenant,
George Siffon, jun. Enſign.

Second Company.

Joſhua Allen, Captain,
Thomas Allen, Lieutenant,
William Remington, Enſign.

WARWICK;

First Company.

Joſias Arnold (Son of *Joſias*) Captain)
Amos Lockwood, jun. Lieut.
Benjamin Gorton (Son of *Samuel*) Enſign.

Second Company.

Peleg Salſbury, Captain,
Thomas Sweet (Son of *Philip*) Lieutenant,
John Greene (Son of *Thomas*) Enſign.

Third Company.

Samuel Budlong (Son of *Moſes*) Captain,
Samuel Davis, Lieutenant,
James Convis, Enſign.

WESTERLY;

First Company.

Matthew Maxſon, Captain,
John Stillman, Lieutenant,
Joſeph Lewis, jun. Enſign.

Second Company.

Edward Saunders, Captain,
William Greene, Lieutenant,
John Bliven, Enſign.

NEW SHOREHAM;

Edward Sands, Captain,
John Pain, Lieutenant,
John Littlefield, Enſign.

The Officers appointed at laſt Seſſion for the Company of *Newſhoreham* refuſing to accept.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN;

First Company.

George Tibbits, Captain,
Carey Clarke, Lieutenant,
John Turgee, Enſign.

Second Company.

Joſeph Taylor, Captain,

Ephraim

Ephraim Haſzard, Lieut.
Jeremiah Smith, Enſign.
Third Company.
William Congdon, Captain,
Richard Phillips, Lieutenant,
John Vaughan (Son of *Iſaac*) Enſign.
SOUTH-KINGSTOWN ;
Firſt Company.
Jeffry Champlin, Captain,
Thomas Hawkins, Lieutenant,
William Greenman, Enſign.
Second Company.
Nicholas Gardner, Captain,
William Wilcox, Lieutenant,
Joſiah Tanner, Enſign.
EAST-GREENWICH ;
Firſt Company.
Philip Haines, Captain,
George Vaughan, jun. Lieut.
Thomas Middlecomb, Enſign.
Second Company.
John Pitcher, Captain,
William Peirce, Lieutenant,
William Baley, Enſign.
JAMESTOWN ;
Benjamin Underwood, Captain,
Oliver Haſzard, jun. Lieut.
Stephen Remington, Enſign.
SMITHFIELD ;
Firſt Company.
Richard Sayles, jun. Captain,
Francis Herrenden, Lieutenant,
William Pain, Enſign.
Second Company.
Arnold Pain, Captain,
John Man, jun. Lieutenant,
Enoch Sprague, Enſign.
Third Company.
Daniel Smith (Son of *William*) Captain,
Henry Blackmore, Lieutenant,
Joſeph Mowrey (the Third) Enſign.
SCITUATE ;
Firſt Company.
Ezekiel Phillips, Captain,
Job Wilbore, Lieutenant,
George Wilbore, Enſign.
Second Company.
Thomas Ailſworth, Captain,
William Taylor, Lieutenant,
John Parker, Enſign.
Third Company.
Stephen Smith, Captain,
Maſon Hulet, Lieutenant,
Richard Smith, Enſign.
Fourth Company
James Round, Captain,
John Simmonds, jun. Lieut.
Squire Bucklin, Enſign.
GLOUCESTER ;
Firſt Company.
William Hawkins, Captain,
John Eddy, Lieutenant,
David Burlingame, Enſign.
Second Company.
Noah Arnold, Captain,
John Whipple, Lieutenant.
Edward Inman, jun. Enſign.
Third Company.
Stephen Keach, Captain,
William Phillips, Lieutenant,
John Wells, jun. Enſign.
CHARLESTOWN ;
Joſhua Card, Captain,
John Stanton, Lieutenant,
Benjamin Kinyon, Enſign
WEST-GREENWICH ;
Firſt Company.
Job Herrenden, Captain,
William Sweet (Son of *Nathaniel*) Lieutenant,
William Matteſon, Enſign.
Second Company.
Eleazer Greene, Captain,
Jonathan Matteſon, jun. Lieut.
John Spencer, Enſign.
Third Company.
Thomas Tillinghaſt, Captain,
Robert Haszard, jun. Lieut.
Simeon Gates, Enſign.
COVENTRY ;
Firſt Company.
Iſaac Greene, Captain,
Nathan Goſſe, Lieutenant,
Joſeph Colvil, Enſign.
Second Company.
Caleb Bates, Captain,
James Gibſon Lieutenant,
Daniel Weaver, Enſign.
EXETER ;
Firſt Company.
Thomas Willcox, Captain,
George Sunderlin, Lieutenant,
Job Wilcox, Enſign.
Second Company.
William Hiams, Captain,
John Lewis, Lieutenant,
Thomas Tanner, Enſign.
MIDDLETOWN ;

MIDDLETOWN ;
Jonathan Weeden, Captain,
Philip Peckham, Lieutenant,
William Greene, Enſign.

BRISTOL ;
Jonathan Peck, Captain,
Samuel Pain, Lieutenant,
Nathaniel Waldron, jun. Enſign.

TIVERTON ;
Firſt Company.
Edward Gray, Captain,
Job Cooke, Lieutenant,
Walter Cooke, Enſign.
Second Company.
William Cooke, Captain,
Joſhua Dwelly, Lieutenant,
John Durfee, Enſign.

LITTLE-COMPTON ;
David Hilyard, Captain,
Thomas Burgis, Lieutenant,
Henry Wood, Enſign.

WARREN :
Firſt Company.
Caleb Carr, Captain,
Oliver Salſbury, Lieutenant,
John Maſon, Enſign.
Second Company.
Samuel Allen, Captain,
James Bowen, Lieutenant,
John Willſon Low, Enſign.

CUMBERLAND :
Firſt Company.
Benjamin Tower, Captain,
Noah Butterworth, Lieut.
Benjamin Woolcot, Enſign.
Second Company.
Eliſha Ballou, Captain,
John Fiſke, Lieutenant,
Jeremiah Inman, Enſign.

RICHMOND ;
Simeon Clarke, Captain,
William Wilcox, Lieutenant,
Joſhua Clarke, Enſign.

CRANSTON ;
Firſt Company.
William Carpenter, jun. Capt.
Joſeph Lockwood, jun. Lieut.
Jeremiah King, Enſign.
Second Company.
Nathan Williams, Captain,
Thomas Williams, jun. Lieut.
Uriah Arnold, Enſign.
Third Company.
Richard Knight, jun. Captain,
Stephen Knight, Lieutenant,
Stukely Hudſon, Enſign.

HOPKINTON ;
Firſt Company.
Chriſtopher Babcock, Captain,
Caleb Wells, Lieutenant,
Matthew Wells, Enſign.
Second Company.
Benjamin Maxſon, Captain.
Benjamin Randal, jun. Lieut.
William Thurſton, Enſign.

JOHNSTON ;
William Alverſon, Captain,
Zechariah Eddy, Lieutenant,
Nehemiah Sheldon, Enſign.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Gideon Comſtock*, Eſq; and Mr. *Edward Thurſton*, jun. be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to receive of the Hon. *Stephen Hopkins*, Eſq; late Governor of this Colony, the Charter, and what elſe is in his Hands, belonging to the Colony, and deliver them to his Honor the preſent Governor, giving and taking Receipts for the ſame.

And it is further Voted and Reſolved, That the ſaid Committee wait upon all the Members of the late and preſent Committee of War, and enquire of them if they have delivered the Muſter Rolls for the Years 1761 and 1762 to the late Governor: And that all thoſe Members of the Committee of War who have not delivered their Muſter Rolls to the late Governor be, and they are hereby required to attend this Aſſembly immediately, with the ſaid Muſter Rolls compleated.

WHEREAS

WHEREAS Mr. *William Pelſue*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for painting Part of the Council Chamber, and providing Boards for the Colony Houſe in *Newport*; and alſo Two other Accounts, for the Time, Expences, and Horſe-hire of his Son, being ſent Twice as an Expreſs to *Providence*, by the Superior Court. And the ſaid Accounts being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby are allowed, and that Sixty-two Pounds Two Shillings and Eight Pence, the Balance of the ſaid Accounts, be paid the ſaid *William Pelſue*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Eliſha Sanford*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for 3 Days Service in overſeeing the Printing of £. 2000 Lawful Money, at £. 6 per Day. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Eighteen Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Eliſha Sanford*, out of the General Treaſury.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That Meſſrs. *Robert Potter*, *William Bradford*, and *John Aplin be*, and they, or the major Part of them are hereby appointed a Committee to examine and diſcover what Money is due to the Colony from particular Perſons: That all ſuch Perſons be, and they are hereby required to ſettle with and pay to the ſaid Committee, for the Uſe of the Colony, all ſuch Sums as ſhall appear to be due as aforeſaid: That upon their Neglect or Refuſal, the ſaid Committee be, and they are hereby empowered to ſue them for the ſame: And that all Perſons having Accounts open with the Colony, who ſhall refuſe to ſettle with the ſaid Committee, after due Notice being given them, and be ſued as aforeſaid, ſhall pay the Coſts of Suit, although the Government ſhall fall in Debt.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor the Deputy Governor, *Edward Scott*, *George Hazard*, Eſqrs. and Meſſrs. *Walter Cranſton* and *William Richardſon*, be, and they, or the major Part of them are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of the General Treaſurer: That they alſo examine thoroughly into the State of the Treaſury; how much Money of all Sorts hath been hired; what remains unpaid; how much Money of all Sorts of Bills hath been emitted upon the Faith and Credit of the Government; and what Part thereof is yet outſtanding: That they have Recourſe to the Grand Committee's Office for that Purpoſe, and make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee of War be, and they are hereby directed, and fully empowered to ſend the Two Deſerters now in His Majeſty's Gaol at *Newport*, and all other Deſerters that ſhall be apprehended, to *New-York*, to his Excellency Sir *Jeffry Amherſt*, or in his Abſence, to the commanding Officer of His Majeſty's Forces in *New-York*.

An

An ACT in Addition to the ſeveral Acts of Aſſembly reſpecting Jurors.

WHEREAS the Fines of Jurymen for not attending at the ſeveral Courts in this Colony; and the Allowance to Jurymen, for ſerving is found by Experience to be too ſmall,

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted, That the Fines of Jurors for not ſerving at either of the Courts of this Colony, who are drawn out of the Box, or are returned by the Sheriff upon a Warrant iſſued by any of the ſaid Courts for returning Jurors when need be, be augmented to Forty Pounds Old Tenor; and that the Fines of Taleſmen for not ſerving, be augmented to Eight Pounds Old-Tenor: And that the ſaid Fines when received, be paid into the Town Treaſury of ſuch Town where the Juryman lives who is ſo fined, inſtead of the General Treaſury, as hath been uſual.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Fees of Jurymen be augmented to Twelve Pounds Old Tenor for every Caſe they try. And that the Wages of the Grand Jurymen be augmented to Twelve Shillings for each Day they ſhall attend.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee appointed to build the Court-Houſe in *Providence*, to wit: Meſſrs. *Allin Brown*, *David Harris* and *William Smith*, lay before this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion, an Account of all the particular Charges which have ariſen in building the ſaid Court-Houſe

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Daniel Jenekes*, Eſq; and Mr. *William Wheaton* be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to complete the Outſide of the Court Houſe in *Providence*, ſo far as to keep it from taking Damage, lay the Floors build the Stairs, and complete Two Rooms in the Chamber, ſuitable for the General Aſſembly, to ſit in: And that the ſaid Committee draw out of the General Treaſury, the Sum of Ten Thouſand Pounds Old Tenor for that Purpoſe.

WHEREAS Mr. *John Fenner*, Clerk of the Town of *Johnſton*, did by Order and in Behalf of the ſaid Town, preſer a Petition, and repreſent unto this Aſſembly, That the ſaid Town hath never been able to effect a Settlement of Accounts with the Town of *Providence* ſince the ſaid Towns were divided. And thereupon he prayed this Aſſembly to appoint a Committee of proper Perſons to adjuſt and ſettle the Accounts between the ſaid Towns; and that *Thomas Owen*, Eſq; may be appointed One ſaid Committee:

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, by and with the Conſent of both Parties, That *Daniel Jenckes* and *Thomas Owen*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *William Bradford*, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to ſettle and determine all Accounts, Differences, and Controverſies, whatſoever reſpecting the Subject Matter of the foregoing Petition.

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AN ACT aſcertaining the Number of Jurors to attend on the Courts in the County of *Newport*.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof It is Enacted, That for the future, Sixteen Petit Jurors attend on the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize and General Gaol Delivery, when ſitting in the County of *Newport* : And alſo the ſame Number on the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Seſſions of the Peace within and for the ſaid County : And that to each of ſaid Courts the Town of *Newport* ſhall ſend Eight Petit Jurors ; *Portſmouth* Two ; *Jameſtown* One ; *Middletown* Two ; *Tiverton* Two ; and *Little-Compton* One : Any Law, Cuſtom, or Uſage to the contrary hereof in any wiſe notwithſtanding.

WHEREAS Mr. *Thomas Haſzard* of *Newport*, Merchant, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That the Schooner *Dolphin*, owned by him, and *Henry Wall*, Eſq; of *North-Kingſtown*, was taken by a *French* Privateer upon the Coaſt of *Africa*, and ranſomed for One Hundred Pounds Sterling : That for Security of the ſaid Sum, *John Wickham*, Mate of ſaid Veſſel, went as an Hoſtage to *Port-Louis*, on *Hiſpaniola* ; and is there confined. And thereupon the ſaid *Thomas Haſzard* prayed this Aſſembly, to grant him a Commiſſion for a Flag of Truce to redeem ſaid Hoſtage.

AND the ſaid Petition being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and it is hereby granted ; *Provided*, the Veſſel which ſhall be ſent by the ſaid *Thomas Haſzard*, be laid under the ſame Reſtrictions and Regulations, as other Veſſels proceeding from this Colony with a Flag of Truce to any Part of the *French* King's Dominions. *And provided further*, That when Bond be given by the Owners and Maſter of the ſaid Veſſel, it be inſerted as one of the Conditions of the ſaid Bond, that the Commiſſion which ſhall be granted for the Purpoſe aforeſaid, be returned into the Secretary's Office at the End of the Voyage.

WHEREAS Mr. *Caleb Carr* of *Warren*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That he lives on the Eaſt Side of the Ferry, called *Humphrey*'s Ferry, which Place is very convenient for keeping the ſaid Ferry : That the ſaid Ferry is kept only by Mr. *Nathaniel Martin*, who lives on the Weſt Side, and being a Coaſter is abſent a conſiderable Part of his Time ; by Reaſon whereof People are very often delayed in getting over the ſaid Ferry : That he hath been often urged to apply to this Aſſembly, for Liberty of ſetting up a Ferry on the Eaſt Side, which it is apprehended will be a very great Advantage to the Public. And therefore the ſaid *Caleb Carr* prayed this Aſſembly, to grant him the Liberty and Privilege of keeping a Ferry at the ſaid Place · And to appoint ſome Perſons to give him a Leaſe thereof, for ſuch a Term of Time as ſhall be thought proper.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Prayer of the ſaid *Caleb Carr* in the ſaid Petition contained, be, and the ſame is hereby granted: And that Meſſi'rs *William Bradford* and *Ebenezer Cole*, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to give the ſaid *Caleb Carr* a Leaſe of the ſaid Ferry for Seven Years; he complying with the Rules, Orders and Reſtrictions the Ferryman on the other Side the ſaid Ferry, is obliged to conform to.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor the Governor, be, and he is hereby requeſted to take off the Embargo laid upon the Shipping in this Colony.

WHEREAS the following Account was exhibited unto this Aſſembly, *to wit*:

Colony of *Rhode-Iſland* ------- Dr.

To *John Jepſon*, *Jonathan Eaſton*, *Job Bennet*, *Walter Cranſton*, *Nathaniel Mumford*, *Edward Thurſton*, and *John Davis*.

1762. *May.*	For ſigning £.2000 Lawful Money, ordered by the General Aſſembly to be emitted, at the Seſſion in this Inſt. *May*, at Half per Cent.	£.10 0 0
	To *Job Bennet*, for 10 Quires of Paper, at 30*ſ.* Old Tenor per Quire, £.15 0 0 equal to	0 16 6
	For Quills, Twine, Ink and Boards to cut the Money on, and ſundry ſmall Expences,	0 13 6
		£.11 10 0

AND the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Eleven Pounds Ten Shillings Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *John Jepſon*, *Jonathan Eaſton*, *Job Bennet*, *Walter Cranſton*, *Nathaniel Mumford*, *Edward Thurſton*, and *John Davis*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Capt. *Edward Wells*, jun. of *Hopkinton*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That he hath loſt large Sums of Money at Sea, by the Enemy's taking his Veſſels: That he hath alſo been concerned in joint Trade with a Man of Merit and Capacity, who by Reaſon of his great Loſſes and Misfortunes now declares himſelf to be a Bankrupt; and that he, the Petitioner, is like to be ruined thereby: That by Reaſon thereof he cannot pay all his juſt Debts, and thoſe of his Partner, without the Aſſiſtance of this Aſſembly: That he hath a conſiderable Quantity of Goods by him which he cannot ſell for ready Money, and propoſes to diſpoſe of the ſame at Caſh Price, by a Lottery;

Lottery: That he hath a large Acquaintance, as well as Trade, in *New-York*, and *Connecticut*, who (he truſts) will take off his Tickets; and many Friends and Acquaintance in this Colony, who will chearfully become Adventurers in a Lottery, to contribute to his Relief, and enable him to pay his juſt Debts. And thereupon the ſaid *Edward Wells* prayed this Aſſembly, to grant him a Lottery to raiſe the Sum of Ten Thouſand Pounds.

And the ſaid Petition being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Prayer of the ſaid *Edward Wells*, therein contained, be, and the ſame is hereby granted.

AN ACT in Addition to an Act, made and paſſed by the General Aſſembly, at their Seſſion held at *Newport*, on the Firſt Wedneſday of *May*, A. D. 1750, entituled, *An Act providing in caſe of Fire breaking out in the Town of* Newport, *and for the more ſpeedy extinguiſhing thereof; and for preſerving of Goods endangered thereby.*

At the Requeſt of the Town of *Newport*, *Be it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted*, That Meſſrs *Stephen Ayrault*, *Ebenezer Flagg*, and *John Goddard*, be, and they are hereby appointed (at the Charge of the ſaid Town of *Newport*) forthwith to procure for the Uſe of the ſaid Town, Six Fire Hooks, ſuitable for pulling down Houſes, *&c.* and the ſame Number of Ladders, of a convenient Length: One Half of the ſaid Fire-Hooks and Ladders to be always kept at the lower Market-Houſe; and the other Half, at the Market-Houſe, near the Town School-Houſe; or at ſuch other Places as the ſaid Town of *Newport* ſhall hereafter direct. And that the ſame be made Uſe of at the breaking out of any Fire, in ſaid Town, and upon no other Occaſion whatever.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That Six Perſons be annually choſen by the ſaid Town, to have the Care of the ſaid Fire-Hooks and Ladders, and upon the breaking out of any Fire, immediately to repair to the ſaid Fire Hooks and Ladders, and cauſe them to be carried where they ſhall be moſt wanted; and after the Fire is over, to cauſe them to be returned again to the Places from whence they were brought: That the ſaid Perſons, and each of them, have full Power to command any Perſons to aſſiſt them in tranſporting the ſaid Ladders and Fire-Hooks: And that whoever ſhall refuſe to aſſiſt, upon being commanded as aforeſaid, ſhall pay as a Fine into the Town Treaſury, the Sum of Ten Shillings Lawful Money, for every Offence.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That every Houſe in the ſaid Town of *Newport*, ſhall within Six Months from and after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, be furniſhed with One good Leather Bucket, with the Owner's Name painted at large thereon; and with a Ladder that ſhall reach from the Ground to the Top of the ſaid Houſe, or with a Trap Door in the Roof of ſaid Houſe, with Stairs, or

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a Ladder to go out of the Garret upon the Top of ſaid Houſe. And that for every Dwelling-Houſe in the ſaid Town of *Newport*, which ſhall not be furniſhed with a Leather Bucket, and a Ladder to reach from the Ground to the Top of the Houſe, or in the Room of ſaid Ladder, a Trap Door in the Roof of ſaid Houſe, and Stairs, or a Ladder to go out of the Garret upon the Top of the Houſe, the Owner of ſaid Houſe ſhall pay as a Fine into the Town Treaſury of the ſaid Town of *Newport*, the Sum of Ten Shillings Lawful Money, for every Six Months Neglect, from and after the End of the ſaid Six Months after the Riſing of this Aſſembly: But if the Owner of the ſaid Houſe does not live in the Town of *Newport*, the Tenant or Tenants ſhall pay the Fines, and the ſame ſhall be deducted out of the Rent of ſaid Houſe.

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That Three Perſons ſhall be annually choſen by the ſaid Town of *Newport*, to examine every Houſe in ſaid Town twice a-Year, and make Report of all Delinquents unto the Town-Council of ſaid Town, who are hereby directed and empowered, to cauſe every Delinquent to be proſecuted for the aforementioned Crime: That Meſſi'rs *Benjamin Hall*, *Preſerved Fiſh*, and *Iſrael Brayton*, be, and they are hereby appointed, to examine every Dwelling-Houſe in the ſaid Town of *Newport*, as ſoon as conveniently may be after the Riſing of this Aſſembly; and direct the Inhabitants to furniſh themſelves with the Neceſſaries required by this Act, within the Time limited.

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That every Perſon in Poſſeſſion of a Bucket, who ſhall neglect or refuſe to make Uſe of the ſame himſelf, or deliver it to ſome other Perſon to make Uſe of, at any Fire which ſhall break out in ſaid Town, or put his Bucket to any other Uſe but to extinguiſh Fire, ſhall pay as a Fine into the Town Treaſury aforeſaid, the Sum of Five Shillings Lawful Money, for every Offence.

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That every Bucket that ſhall be loſt or damaged at any Fire, the ſame ſhall be made good by the Town; and upon ſatisfactory Proof thereof being made before the Town-Council, an Order by them ſhall be given to the Owner of the Bucket on the Town-Treaſurer, for as much Money as will make good the Loſs or Damage.

And whereas *the Governor, and Deputy Governor, and Aſſiſtants* for the Time being, or any Two of them, are by the former Act empowered to give Directions for the pulling down or blowing up ſuch Houſe or Houſes, as ſhould be judged neceſſary, for the ſtopping and preventing the further ſpreading of Fire, *&c.* *Be it now further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the Firewards for the Time being, be added to the Governor, or Deputy Governor, and Aſſiſtants: And that the Governor, Deputy Governor, and Aſſiſtants, and Firewards for the Time

Time being, or the major Part of them preſent at any Fire, ſhall have the ſame Power in every Reſpect as is given to the Governor, Deputy Governor, and Aſſiſtants, by the ſaid former Act.

And whereas by the former Law, a Fine is laid on any Perſon who ſhall refuſe or neglect to obey the Firewards at any Fire which ſhall break out in the Town of *Newport*; but no Proviſion is made by the ſaid Act reſpecting the neceſſary Proof. *Be it therefore further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the Oath of One or more of the Firewards ſhall be ſufficient to convict any Perſon of Diſobedience.

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That every Perſon who ſhall import Gun-powder into the Town of *Newport* aforeſaid, ſhall cauſe the ſame to be conveyed immediately to the Powder-Houſe at the North-Eaſterly Part of the Town, before the Veſſel in which the ſaid Powder ſhall be imported, be brought to any Wharf; upon the Penalty of paying into the Town-Treaſury of the ſaid Town of *Newport*, a Fine of Ten Shillings Lawful Money, for every Caſk which ſhall not be conveyed to the Powder-Houſe as aforeſaid. That every other Perſon who ſhall have Gun-powder in his or her Poſſeſſion, and ſhall neglect or refuſe to cauſe the whole of the ſame to be conveyed to the ſaid Powder-Houſe immediately, excepting 25lb. which ſhall be kept in a Tin Powder-Flaſk, ſhall pay as a Fine into the Town-Treaſury aforeſaid, the Sum of Ten Shillings Lawful Money, for every Caſk he or ſhe ſhall neglect or refuſe to cauſe to be conveyed to the Powder-Houſe as aforeſaid, and in Proportion for any leſs Quantity. That no Veſſel of War or other Veſſel ſhall take on board any Powder before they go from the Wharf, upon the Penalty of paying a Fine of Ten Shillings Lawful Money, for every Caſk ſo taken on board. And that the Keeper of the Powder-Houſe be allowed the ſame Fees as heretofore hath been allowed by Law, for delivering out every Hundred Weight of Powder, and in Proportion for a greater or leſs Quantity.

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That no Perſon whatſoever ſhall fire a Gun or other Fire-Works within One Hundred Yards of the ſaid Powder-Houſe, upon the Penalty of paying a Fine of Ten Shillings Lawful Money, for every ſuch Offence, to be recovered by the Town Treaſurer, for the Uſe of the ſaid Town.

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That all the Fines that ſhall accrue by Virtue of this Act, ſhall be recovered by the Town-Treaſurer, before any Two Juſtices of ſaid Town, by Action of Debt.

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the Firewards be annually choſen as other Town Officers are.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That *Edward Scott*, Eſq; and Mr. *John Dockray*, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to audit the

Agents Accounts, and that they make Report to this Aſſembly as ſoon as may be.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That his Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requeſted, to write to the Agent, and preſs him ſtrenuouſly to ſolicit for this Colony's Part of the Grant of the Crown to this Colony, for the Year 1756. And that his Honor be alſo requeſted, to write firſt to Capt. *Joſeph Harriſon*, and procure from him the beſt Information he can, reſpecting the ſaid grant.

Whereas Mr. *Thomas Siſſon* preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That the Boundary Line between the Province of the *Maſſachuſetts-Bay* and this Colony, takes the Houſe he dwells in within the Colony Line; and that conſequently he is an Inhabitant of the Town of *Tiverton*: That nevertheleſs he is refuſed and debarred the Liberty of voting in the ſaid Town. And thereupon he prayed this Aſſembly, to take the Affair under Conſideration, and determine whether he is an Inhabitant of the ſaid Town of *Tiverton*, (as he ſuppoſeth himſelf to be) or not.

And the ſaid Petition being duly conſidered, it appears to this Aſſembly, that the Houſe of the ſaid *Thomas Siſſon*, in which he now lives, is within the Bounds of the Town of *Tiverton*. *And it is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That he the ſaid *Thomas Siſſon* be, and he is hereby determined and allowed to be an Inhabitant of the ſaid Town of *Tiverton*.

Whereas *Nathaniel Boſworth*, Eſq; late Sheriff of the County of *Briſtol*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That in the Year 1758, one *John Smith*, a tranſient Perſon, was charged with ſtealing Goods from Capt. *Nathaniel Peck*, of *Warren*, was committed to His Majeſty's Gaol in the ſaid County; and at the Superior Court held at *Briſtol*, on the Second Tueſday of *October* following, was tried and convicted of the ſame, and Sentence paſſed upon him, that he ſhould be whipped, pay Coſts of Proſecution, pay the ſaid *Nathaniel Peck* One Hundred and Eighty Pounds Old Tenor, and be ſold out of the Colony for a Term not exceeding Seven Years, by the ſaid *Nathaniel Boſworth*, then Sheriff of the ſaid County. That before he could make Sale of the ſaid *John Smith*, purſuant to the ſaid Sentence, he broke out of Gaol, and made his Eſcape. That the ſaid *Nathaniel Peck* thereupon commenced an Action againſt him, for ſuffering the ſaid *John Smith* to eſcape. That he did defend the ſaid Action, both at the Inferior, and Superior Courts in the ſaid County, notwithſtanding which the ſaid *Nathaniel Peck* obtained Judgment againſt him, for the Sum of One Hundred and Eighty Pounds, and Coſts of Suit, taxed at £.43 13*s*. 9*d*. And the ſaid *Nathaniel Boſworth* further repreſented, That the ſaid *John Smith* having broke Gaol before his Conviction, he advanced and paid ſeveral Sums of Money, for advertiſing, apprehending, and recommitting him. That it was owing to the Defect of the ſaid Gaol,

Gaol, that the ſaid *John Smith* eſcaped. And thereupon, the ſaid *Nathaniel Boſworth* prayed this Aſſembly, to take the Premiſſes into Conſideration, and indemnify him from ſaid Judgment, by ordering the ſame to be paid out of the General Treaſury; alſo to reimburſe him the Charge and Expence he hath been put to as aforeſaid; and that in the mean Time Execution may be ſtayed.

On Conſideration whereof,

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That *Joſeph Ruſſell*, and *John Uſher*, jun. Eſqrs. be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to enquire into the Circumſtances of the Gaol in the County of *Briſtol*, at the Time the ſame was broke as above-mentioned and make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

WHEREAS ſeveral of the Inhabitants of the Town of *Newport* preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That the Bridge in *Newport*, commonly called the Point-Bridge, hath been ſo much damaged by ſeveral late Storms, that it is dangerous for People to paſs either on Horſeback, or on Foot. That the ſaid Bridge leads to one of the Ferries, and is very much uſed, and the repairing thereof will be of great Utility to the Public. And that the Expences of repairing the ſaid Bridge hath been heretofore defrayed out of the General Treaſury. And thereupon the Petitioners prayed this Aſſembly, to grant a ſufficient Sum of Money out of the General Treaſury, to repair and put the ſaid Bridge in good Order.

AND the ſaid Petition being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Sum of Three Hundred Pounds be allowed to the Town of *Newport*, towards repairing the Point-Bridge: And that Capt. *William Read* draw the ſame out of the General Treaſury, for that Purpoſe.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That *Othniel Gorton*, Eſq; of *Warwick*, Meſſi'rs *Nathan Babcock*, and *George Sheffield*, of *Weſterly*, and *Joſhua Clarke*, Eſq; of *Hopkinton*, be, and they are hereby appointed Directors of the Lottery granted by this Aſſembly to Capt. *Edward Wells*, jun. That the Goods propoſed by the ſaid *Edward Wells* to be diſpoſed of by the ſaid Lottery, be valued by any Two of them upon Oath. That the ſaid Directors be, and they are hereby empowered to draw a Scheme of the ſaid Lottery, make, ſign, and diſpoſe of the Tickets, draw the ſaid Lottery, and do every Thing neceſſary to be done therein. And that before they proceed to ſell the Tickets, they give Bond to the General Treaſurer, in double the Sum of the Lottery.

WHEREAS Meſſi'rs *Pardon Tillinghaſt*, *Thomas Freebody*, and *William Richardſon*, preſented unto this Aſſembly the following Report, *to wit*:

WE the Subſcribers, being appointed by the Hon. General Aſſembly, to ſettle the Accounts of *John Dexter*, Eſq; do report, that there is due from the Colony to the ſaid *John Dexter*, as follows, *to wit*:

For

For 834 Feet of Glaſs, put in the Colony Houſe, at *Providence*,--- at 20*ſ.* per Foot,	£. 834	0 0
Allowance for Breakage, 25 per Cent.	208	10 0
Ditto, the cuſtomary Profit 25 per Cent.	208	10 0
Setting 834 Feet of Glaſs,--- at 8*s.* 9*d.*	364	17 6
	1615	17 6

Newport, *June* 18, 1762.

Errrors excepted,

Pardon Tillinghaſt,
Thomas Freebody,
William Richardſon.

And the ſaid Report being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted, and that the above-mentioned Sum of One Thouſand Six Hundred and Fifteen Pounds Seventeen Shillings and Six Pence, be paid the ſaid *John Dexter*, Eſq; out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Job Bennet*, jun. *Daniel Ayrault*, jun. and *Benjamin Nichols*, Eſqrs. were appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of the late, and preſent Naval Officer; which Buſineſs hath not yet been compleated; *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame Gentlemen be, and they are hereby continued a Committee for that Purpoſe and that they, or the major Part of them, make Report to this Aſſembly, at the next Seſſion.

Whereas *Joſiah Arnold*, Eſq; One of the Committee for altering the Light-Houſe, on Beaver-Tail, made Application to this Aſſembly, that he might be reimburſed the Sum of Eighteen Dollars, by him paid to his Son, for his Time, and Expences, in going to *Boſton*, and procuring a Plan, and Model in Miniature of the Light-Houſe, with Inſtructions for altering the Lanthorn of the Light-Houſe on Beaver-Tail.

On Conſideration whereof,

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Sum of Eighteen Dollars be paid by the Naval Officer, out of the Light Money, to the ſaid *Joſiah Arnold*.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the preſent Members of the Committee of War be, and they are hereby continued until the next Seſſion, and that they have the ſame Power and Authority as they have at any Time heretofore had, excepting the Appointment of Officers.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That *Edward Scott*, and *Auguſtus Johnſton*, Eſqrs. and the Secretary, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to take into Conſideration all the Laws of this Government reſpecting the Admiſſion of Freemen, and the Method of voting for General Officers. That they reduce them all to one Law, make ſuch Alterations, and Additions as they ſhall think conducive to the public Intereſt; and lay the ſame before this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

It

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That all the billeting Rolls for the Years 1757, 1761, and 1762, be delivered to his Honor the Governor: And that his Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requeſted to receive the ſame, and cauſe them to be put in proper Order, and forward them to his Excellency Sir *Jeffery Amherſt* as ſoon as poſſible, in Order for Payment.

AND *it is further Voted and Reſolved*, That Mr. *Nathaniel Mumford* be, and he is hereby appointed to carry the ſaid Billeting Rolls to the General, or in his Abſence, to ſuch Perſon as ſhall have Power to examine the ſaid Rolls and order Payment, and receive what ſhall be paid thereon, in Silver, Gold, or Bills of Exchange, and lodge the ſame in the General Treaſury. And that he be allowed and paid out of the General Treaſury, for his Time and Trouble in performing the aforeſaid Service, the Sum of Ten Pounds Old Tenor per Day, and alſo all his Expences.

WHEREAS a great Number of Perſons have been admitted Freemen of the ſeveral Towns in this Colony, and have been returned as ſuch to the General Aſſembly, at the Seſſion held on the Firſt Wedneſday in *May* 1761, and at the laſt Seſſion, and the ſame have not as yet been taken into Conſideration: In order to render this Aſſembly better able to judge of the Qualifications of the aforeſaid Perſons, and to prevent ſuch from being admitted as Freemen who are not duly qualified, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That each Town-Clerk in this Colony make out and tranſmit to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion, a Certificate of the Qualifications of all the aforementioned Perſons, who were admitted free in the Town where he lives, by certifying the whole of the Real Eſtate he is poſſeſſed of in ſaid Town, at the Time the ſaid Certificate ſhall be given, together with the eldeſt Sons of ſuch Freeholders as now ſtand free of this Colony. And that if any Town-Clerk ſhall neglect his Duty herein, he ſhall forfeit and pay as a Fine, the Sum of Fifty Pounds Old Tenor, to and for the Uſe of the Colony, to be recovered by the General Treaſurer, by an Action of the Caſe in any Court of Record in this Colony.

WHEREAS Mr. *Jonathan Jeffers* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for attending Two Days upon the Committee appointed to ſettle with *Jahleel Brenton*, Eſq; and for three Days Attendance of *Samuel Brown*, upon the ſame Committee. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Seventeen Pounds Ten Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Jonathan Jeffers* out of the General Treaſury.

AND WHEREAS the ſaid *Jonathan Jeffers* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, another Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for repairing the Windows of the Colony Houſe in *Newport*. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and

hereby is allowed, and that Forty-ſix Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Jonathan Jeffers* out of the General Treaſury.

And whereas the ſame *Jonathan Jeffers* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, another Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Eleven Days Attendance upon this Aſſembly, at the laſt and preſent Seſſion. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Thirty-eight Pounds Ten Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Jonathan Jeffers* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas Mr. *Eliſha Ballou*, of *Cumberland*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That he was appointed by the General Aſſembly a Lieutenant in the Regiment raiſed by this Colony in the Year 1756. That he inliſted Twenty-five able-bodied effective Men, who ſerved in the Expedition then carried on againſt *Crown-Point*: That before the Troops marched he was taken very ſick, but recovered ſo far that he intended to proceed with the Regiment; but that on the Day the ſaid Troops marched, he was ſeized violently with the Rheumatiſm, ſo that he could not ſtand for Five Months following: That he was at a great Expence during his being ſick, to the Phyſicians and others: That he imagines his Sickneſs was occaſioned principally by his being expoſed in the ſaid Service: And that he hath not as yet received a Conſideration from the Colony adequate to his Services. And thereupon he prayed this Aſſembly, to direct the former Committee of War in the Town of *Providence*, to examine the Subject-Matter of the ſaid Petition, and make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

On Conſideration whereof,

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Petition be, and the ſame is hereby granted.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That all the Committees that have already been, or ſhall hereafter be appointed to audit the Accounts of the Committee of War, or any of them, be, and they are hereby required, when they make Report to the General Aſſembly, to preſent therewith the Accounts of all the Particulars exhibited to them by the Committee of War, that the General Aſſembly may have an Opportunity of viewing the ſame.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſeveral Committees appointed to audit the Accounts of the Committee of War, be, and they are hereby continued for that Purpoſe, and that they make Report to this Aſſembly, at the next Seſſion.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That Meſſi'rs *Walter Cranſton*, and *Edward Thurſton*, jun. be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of the Secretary, and that they make Report to this Aſſembly, at the next Seſſion.

It

The following Officers were omitted by the Printer in the Firſt Sheet of this Schedule, *to wit :*

Caleb Allen, Eſq; the Eighth Aſſiſtant for this Colony, in the Room of *Daniel Coggeſhall*, Eſq; who refuſed.

Joſeph Ruſſell, Eſq; Chief (in the Room of *Jeremiah Niles*, Eſq; who refuſed.)	Juſtice of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize and General Gaol Delivery in and throughout the Colony.
William Hall, Eſq; Second	
Nicholas Eaſton, Eſq; Third	
Samuel Nightingale, Eſq; Fourth	
Jeoffry Watſon, Eſq; Fifth	
William Read, Captain	Of Fort *George*.
Caleb Carr, Lieutenant	
Peter Mumford, Captain	Of the Firſt Troop of Horſe in the County of *Newport*.
Iſaac Dayton, Lieutenant	
William James, (Son of *John*) Cornet	
Daniel Wightman Hookey, Quarter-Maſter	
Aaron Wilbore, Captain	Of the Second Troop of Horſe in the County of *Newport*.
Walter Wilbore, Lieutenant	
Joſeph Taylor, Cornet	
Gideon Almy, Quarter-Maſter	
Edward Fenner, Captain	Of the Troop of Horſe in the County of *Providence*.
Nathaniel Wheaton, firſt Lieutenant	
George Payſon, Second Lieutenant	
Arthur Weſtcote, Quarter-Maſter	

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion : That the Secretary publiſh by Beat of Drum, in *Newport*, all the Acts and Orders now made and paſſed, within Ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, and within Thirty ſend Copies of the ſame, unto each Town-Clerk in this Colony : And that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned unto the Fourth Monday in *Auguſt* next.

God Save the King.

Publiſhed according to Order, the Twenty-eighth Day of *June*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-two, by

Henry Ward, Secr'y.

A true Copy duly examined.

Witneſs, Henry Ward Secry

At the General Aſſembly of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, and *Providence* Plantations, in *New-England*, in *America*; begun and holden by Adjournment, at *Eaſt-Greenwich*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on the Fourth Monday in *Auguſt*, in the Year of our LORD, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-two, and Second of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty *GEORGE* the Third, by the Grace of GOD, King of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Hon. SAMUEL WARD, Eſq; Governor.

The Hon. JOHN GARDNER, Eſq; Deputy Governor.

JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq;
NICHOLAS EASTON, Eſq;
NICHOLAS TILLINGHAST, Eſq;
DARIUS SESSIONS, Eſq;
} Aſſiſtants.

JOSEPH HARRIS, Eſq;
CALEB ALLEN, Eſq;
HENRY GARDNER, Eſq;
SAMUEL GREENE, Eſq;
} Aſſiſtants.

The SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES from the ſeveral TOWNS.

The Hon. DANIEL AYRAULT, jun. Eſq; Speaker.

NEWPORT;
Mr. *Gideon Wanton*, jun.
Mr. *John Wanton* (Son of *Gideon*)
George Hazard, Eſq;
John Jepſon, Eſq;
The Speaker.
Capt. *William Read.*

PROVIDENCE;
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq;
Mr. *Joſeph Naſh*,
Mr *Joſeph Olney*.
Mr. *George Jackſon*,

PORTSMOUTH,
John Shearman, jun. Eſq;
David Anthony, Eſq;
Mr. *George Brownel.*

WARWICK;

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Philip Greene, Eſq;
Othniel Gorton, Eſq;
Col. *James Arnold*,
Capt. *Holden Rice*.
WESTERLY;
Capt. *George Stillman*,
Mr. *James Babcock*, jun.
NEW-SHOREHAM;
Mr. *Edmond Sheffield*.
NORTH-KINGSTOWN;
Mr. *Ezekiel Gardner*,
Mr. *Samuel Boone*, jun.
SOUTH-KINGSTOWN;
Mr. *William Potter*,
Mr. *Thomas Potter*, jun.
EAST-GREENWICH;
Col. *James Wightman*,
Capt. *Benjamin Greene*.
JAMESTOWN;
Capt. *William Haſzard*,
Mr. *George Franklin*.
SMITHFIELD;
Thomas Arnold, Eſq;
Mr. *Jonathan Arnold*, jun.
SCITUATE;
Job Randal, Eſq;
Jeremiah Angel, Eſq;
GLOUCESTER;
Richard Steere, Eſq;
CHARLESTOWN;
Robert Potter, Eſq;
Capt. *John Champlin*,
WEST-GREENWICH;
Benjamin Tillinghaſt, Eſq;
Capt. *Charles Carr*.
COVENTRY;
Caleb Greene, Eſq;
Capt. *Joab Stafford*.
EXETER;
Mr. *John Chapman*,
Mr. *Daniel Barber*.
MIDDLETOWN;
Mr. *James Barker*,
Mr. *Jonathan Eaſton*.
BRISTOL;
Mr. *William Bradford*,
Capt. *Daniel Bradford*.
TIVERTON;
Thomas Anthony, Eſq;
Mr. *Job Durfee*.
LITTLE COMPTON;
William Hall, Eſq;
Oliver Hilyard, Eſq;
WARREN;
James Brown, Eſq;
CUMBERLAND;
John Dexter, Eſq;
Capt. *Daniel Wilkinſon*.
RICHMOND;
Joſeph Clarke, Eſq;
Thomas Kinyon, Eſq;
CRANSTON;
John Burton, Eſq;
Mr. *Matthew Manchester*.
HOPKINTON;
Major *Joſhua Clarke*,
John Maxſon, Eſq;
JOHNSTON;
Thomas Owen, Eſq;
Lt. Col. *Joſiah Thornton*.

JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

WHEREAS Mr. *Nathaniel Mumford* preſented unto this Aſſembly the following Report, *to wit*:

"BEING appointed by the Honorable the General Aſſembly to receive the Billeting Rolls for the Years 1757, 1761, and 1762, and preſent them to His Excellency General *Amherſt* for Payment;

"IMMEDIATELY after receiving the Rolls, and His Honor the Governor's Letter and Inſtructions, I proceeded to *New-York* with the Firſt Opportunity, and waited on the General inſtantly after my Arrival there; and received Directions from him to preſent the Rolls to Lieut. Colonel

Colonel *Robertſon*, for his Examination, which I did accordingly; and upon inſpecting them, found there were ſome conſiderable over Charges in them, *viz.*

"THERE were Twenty-one Days allowed to each Man for his Paſſage to *Albany*; whereas it appears by the Date of the Muſter Rolls, taken at *Albany*, that in 1761 the Troops were but about Half that Time on their Paſſage; and that immediately on their Arrival there, they received the King's Proviſions from the Victualling Office; ſo that the Number of Rations were 4042, to be deducted from theſe Rolls, amounting to £.67 7*s.* 4*d.* Sterling: And it alſo appears, that the Troops for 1762 arrived at *Albany* on the 7th, 9th, and 12th Days of *June*, and the Allowance in the Rolls for that Year extends to the 11th, 13th, and 16th, ſo that the Rations charged more than ought to have been, amount to £.29 0 0 Sterling; and Twelve Days were allowed to each Man of the Firſt Detachment for his Paſſage to *New-York*; and it appears, by a Certificate from the Victualling Office, that they received from thence 1488 Rations within the Time of Twelve Days that were charged in the Rolls, amounting to £. 24 16*s.* Sterling.

"AND as the Number of Men charged in the Rolls thoſe Two Years, conſiderably exceeded the Numbers muſtered at *Albany*, (and the General abſolutely refuſes to pay any Monies for Deſerters) ſo that there was a Deduction for 1761 of £.21 8*s.* 8*d.* and for 1762 of £.24 2*s.* 5*d.* which reduces the Sum to be received, to bear the ſame Proportion to the Number of Men muſtered at *Albany*, as the Number of Men contained in the Rolls, does to the Sum charged therein, as your Honors may ſee by the Abſtracts drawn by Colonel *Robertſon*, and delivered herewith. You will alſo there ſee, that the whole Sum received amounts to Eleven Hundred and Thirty-nine Pounds Four Shillings and Eleven Pence Sterling, which is equal to One Thouſand Nine Hundred and Fifty-three Pounds *New-York* Currency, which was the Sum I received; and, according to your Honors Orders, paid the ſame into the General Treaſury.

"As for the Rolls for the Year 1757, the General ſays, it was a Tranſaction before his Time, he therefore knows nothing about it. I was therefore obliged to bring them back, and have herewith returned them.

"THERE was alſo One ſingle Roll delivered me, of the Billeting a Number of Soldiers after their Return from *Albany* the laſt Year, which I was directed to enquire about. I did ſo, and received for Anſwer, That at the breaking up of the Campaign, a ſufficient Quantity of Proviſion was iſſued from the King's Stores for their Paſſages home, after which no Allowance could be made."

Nathaniel Mumford.

AND WHEREAS the ſaid *Nathaniel Mumford* preſented alſo unto this Aſſembly, a Receipt under the Hand of *Joſeph Clarke*, Eſq; General Treaſurer, as follows, *to wit*:

"Colony

" Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, &c.

Newport, *July* 21ſt, 1762.

" Received of Mr. *Nathaniel Mumford*, One Thouſand Nine Hundred and Fifty-three Pounds and Three Pence *New-York* Currency, being the Money received by him of the Pay-maſter at *New-York*, for the Billeting Rolls for the Years 1761 and 1762, and have lodged the ſame in the Treaſury.

£.1953 os. 3d. *Joſeph Clarke*, Gen. Treaſurer."

And whereas the ſaid *Nathaniel Mumford* alſo exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time and Expences in going to, during his Stay at, and upon his Return from *New-York*, in performing the aforeſaid Buſineſs, and for Caſh diſburſed for various Expences in proſecuting the ſame, amounting to Twenty-four Pounds and Nine Pence *New-York* Currency; and alſo for his Time and Expences in attending upon this Aſſembly at the preſent Seſſion, in order to make Report of his Doings, and ſo forth, amounting to Forty Pounds Old Tenor.

All which being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the aforegoing Report, by the ſaid *Nathaniel Mumford* made, be accepted: That the ſaid Account by him charged, be allowed; and that Twenty-four Pounds and Nine Pence *New-York* Currency, and Forty Pounds Old Tenor, be paid him out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas Meſſrs. *Nicholas Cooke*, *Nathan Angel*, *Benjamin Cuſhing*, and *Nehemiah Ward*, all of *Providence*, Merchants, and Owners of the Sloop *Victory*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That the ſaid Sloop lately, on her Homeward bound Voyage from *Guadaloupe* to *Providence*, laden with Molaſſes, was, on the Fourth Day of *Auguſt* Inſtant, taken by a *Spaniſh* Privateer, in the Latitude of Twenty-ſeven Degrees: That for the Recovery of the ſaid Sloop, and the Lading on board, *Joſeph Kinnicut*, the Maſter, entered into Articles of Ranſom with the Commander of ſaid Privateer; wherein and whereby it was ſtipulated, that the Sum of Fifteen Thouſand Livres ſhould be paid at *Cape-Francois* for ſaid Ranſom: And that to ſecure the Payment thereof, *David Lawrence*, of *Providence*, Mate of ſaid Sloop, was delivered as an Hoſtage. And thereupon the Petitioners prayed this Aſſembly, to permit them to ſend a Veſſel to the *Cape*, to carry and pay the ſaid Money, according to the Tenor of the ſaid Ranſom-Bill; and to redeem and procure to be ſet at Liberty, the ſaid *David Lawrence*, and to bring him Home to his own Country and Friends; and that for the ſaid Purpoſe, a Commiſſion, or Letters of ſafe Conduct, may be iſſued unto the ſaid Petitioners, with ſuch Qualifications as ſhall be judged requiſite.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Prayer contained in the foregoing Petition be, and the ſame is hereby granted: That the Veſſel to be ſent be laid under the ſame Reſtrictions and Regulations, as other Veſſels allowed to go from this Colony with a Flag of Truce to any Part of the Dominions of the *French* King; and that when Bond be given by the Owners and Maſters of the ſaid Veſſel, it be inſerted as a Condition of the

the ſaid Bond, that the Commiſſion, or Letters of ſafe Conduct, which ſhall be iſſued, ſhall, at the End of the Voyage, be returned into the Secretary's Office.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Sheriff of the County of *Newport* be, and he is hereby empowered to draw Money out of the General Treaſury, and pay off all ſuch reaſonable Charges, which have ariſen to the Colony by Means of a Number of Seamen lately belonging to His Majeſty's Ship the *Huſſar*, (which was caſt away on the Iſland of *Hiſpaniola*) and were brought to *Newport* in a Flag of Truce: That thoſe Two of the ſaid Men who are in Gaol at *Newport*, be ſent by the ſaid Sheriff to His Excellency Sir *Jeffery Amherſt*, at *New-York*, by the Firſt Opportunity: And that he make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That every one of the Committee of War be, and they are hereby directed, to lay before the General Aſſembly, at the next Seſſion, all the Muſter Rolls of the Soldiers raiſed in this Colony for the laſt Expedition.

And it is further Voted and Reſolved, That the Committees appointed to audit the Accounts of the Committee of War, be continued for that Purpoſe; and that they make Report, agreeable to Law, to this Aſſembly at this or the next Seſſion.

And it is further Voted and Reſolved, That no Member of the Committee of War draw any more Money out of the General Treaſury, until his Account be ſettled, and a Balance be found due to him.

Whereas *Daniel Ayrault*, jun. and *Job Bennet*, jun. Eſqrs. preſented unto this Aſſembly a State of the Account of Mr. *George Gardner*, jun. late Naval Officer of this Colony, together with their Report thereon; and alſo an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, as follows, *to wit:*

Dr.---*The Light-Houſe, with* George Gardner, *jun. Naval Officer.*

		£.	s.	d.
1760.	To Caſh paid Capt. as per Account,	22	7	9
June.	To ditto paid Mr. *Rivera* for Oil, as per Receipt,	277	10	0
Sept.	To ditto paid ditto, as per Receipt,	67	0	0
Oct.	To ditto paid ditto, as per ditto,	341	8	0
Dec.	To ditto paid Capt. *Arnold*, as per ditto,	168	17	9
	To ditto paid ditto, as per ditto,	84	0	0
1761. *Feb.*	To ditto paid ditto, as per ditto,	100	0	0
	To ditto paid ditto for Carting, as per Account,	68	15	0
	To ditto paid Mr. *Rivera*, as per Receipt,	393	5	0
June.	To ditto paid Capt. *Arnold*, as per ditto,	180	0	0
	To Truckage and Ferriage of Oil,	14	0	0
	To my Commiſſions on £. 3767 2s. 0d. at 5 per Cent.	188	7	0
		£. 1905	10	6
	Balance due to the Light-Houſe,	1861	12	2
		£. 3767	2	8

Creditor.

Creditor.

By 6304 Tons of Veſſels, at 8*s.* per Ton,	£.2521 12 0
By 383 Coaſters, at £.3 each	1149 0 0
By Balance due on the laſt Settlement,	96 10 0
	£.3767 2 0

Newport, June, 1761. Errors excepted. Per *George Gardner*, jun.

We the Subſcribers being appointed by the Honorable the General Aſſembly at the Seſſion in *February* laſt, (with *Benjamin Nichols*, Eſq;) and continued for the ſame Purpoſe at the Seſſion in *June* laſt, to audit the Accounts of the Naval Officers, have, according to the ſaid Appointment, audited Mr. *George Gardner*'s Account, and find the Balance due to the Colony for the Uſe of the Light Houſe, to be One Thouſand Eight Hundred and Sixty-one Pounds Twelve Shillings and Two Pence Old Tenor, agreeable to the foregoing Account.

Newport, Auguſt 20th, 1762. *Daniel Ayrault*, jun.
Job Bennet, jun.

Colony of Rhode-Iſland *to the above Committee----Dr.*

To our Time and Trouble in ſettling the foregoing Account, one Day each, at £.6 per Day,	£.12 0 0

All which being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be accepted: That the Account of the ſaid Committee be allowed; and that Twelve Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Daniel Ayrault*, jun. and *Job Bennet*, jun. out of the Balance due from Mr. *George Gardner*, jun. to the Light-Houſe.

Whereas *Daniel Ayrault*, jun. and *Job Bennet*, jun. Eſqrs. preſented unto this Aſſembly a State of the Account of Lieut. Colonel *Benjamin Wickham*, late Naval Officer of this Colony, together with their Report thereon, and alſo an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, as follows, *to wit*:

Dr. ---- The Colony of Rhode-Iſland *to the Naval Officer for Sundries ſupplied the Light-Houſe.*

1761.		
July 1	To Caſh paid *Aaron Lopez*, for 31 Gallons and an half of Oil,	£.70 0 0
	To ditto paid Trucking to the Ferry, 15*s.* and Carting to the Light-Houſe, 80*s*	4 15 0
17.	To ditto paid *Joſeph Scott* for 87 Gallons of ditto, and Trucking,	193 10 0
	To ditto paid *Iſaac Howland* for 37 Gallons of ditto, and Trucking,	74 0 0
Oct. 2.	To ditto paid *Joſeph Scott* for 46 Gallons of ditto, and Trucking,	95 9 0
16.	To ditto paid *Brotherton Dagget* for 29 Gallons of ditto, and Trucking,	60 10 0

To

	To ditto paid *Iſaac Stelle* and Co. for 189 Gallons and an half of ditto,	391	5	0
	To trucking ditto, being 6 Caſks, to the Ferry,	3	0	0
1762. *Feb.* 22.	To 1 Caſk of *Thomas Robinſon*, 34 Gallons and an half, at £.65 per Barrel,	71	10	0
	To trucking to the Ferry,	0	10	0
April 15.	To 1 Tierce of *Stelle* & Co. 38 Gal. at £.65 per Bar.	77	7	6
	To trucking to the Ferry,	0	10	0
	To Caſh paid *Samuel Carr* for Freight of Oil,	3	4	6
	To ditto paid *Thomas Bentley*'s 2 Bills for carting Oil down to the Light-Houſe, *&c.*	48	10	0
	To ditto paid for Two Caſks over the Point Ferry,	0	12	0
	To ditto paid for Cooperage of Two Barrels,	1	3	0
	To ditto paid *Joſeph Auſtin*, the Man that keeps the Light-Houſe, by Mr. *Joſias Arnold*'s Order,	76	3	4
	To my Commiſſions on £.3448 16*s.* 0*d.* (being the Amount of the Sum paid into the Naval Office from the 17th of *June*, 1761, to the 9th of *May*, 1762,) at 5 per Cent.	172	8	9
		£.1344	8	1
	Balance due to the Colony, - - -	2104	7	11
		£.3448	16	0

Creditor.

By Caſh received on 6597 Tons of Shipping, *&c.* as appears by the Office Books, at 8*s.* per Ton,	£.2638	16	0
By 270 Coaſters, at £.3 each,	810	0	0
	£.3448	16	0

Newport, Auguſt 20, 1762.
Errors excepted. Per *Benjamin Wickham.*

We the Subſcribers being appointed by the Honorable the General Aſſembly, at the Seſſion in *February* laſt, (with *Benjamin Nichols*, Eſq;) and continued for the ſame Purpoſe at the Seſſion in *June* laſt, to audit the Accounts of the Naval Officers, have, according to the ſaid Appointment, audited Col. *Benjamin Wickham*'s Account, and find the Balance due to the Colony, for the Uſe of the Light-Houſe, to be Two Thouſand One Hundred and Four Pounds Seven Shillings and Eleven Pence Old Tenor, agreeable to the foregoing Report.

Daniel Ayrault, jun.
Newport, Auguſt 20th, 1762. *Job Bennet*, jun.

N. B. The Voucher for the Charge of £.56 paid *Joſeph Auſtin*, by Order of Capt. *Joſias Arnold*, is wanting; which, if not allowed by ſaid Capt. *Arnold*, Col. *Wickham* promiſes to pay it with the Balance aboveſaid.

Colony

Colony of Rhode-Iſland *to the above Committee* ---- *Dr.*

To our Time and Trouble in ſettling the foregoing Account, one Day each, at £.6 per Day,	£.	12	0 0

All which being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be accepted: That the Account of the ſaid Committee be allowed; and that Twelve Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Daniel Ayrault*, jun. and *Job Bennet*, jun. out of the General Treaſury.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That *Daniel Ayrault*, jun. and *Job Bennet*, jun. Eſqrs. be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to receive of Mr. *George Gardner*, jun. and Lieut. Col. *Benjamin Wickham*, late Naval Officers, the Balances due from them, reſpecting the Light-Houſe: That they be, and they are hereby empowered to ſettle and adjuſt Capt. *Joſias Arnold*'s Accounts; and alſo to pay all the juſt Demands againſt the ſaid Light-Houſe: And that they make Report to this Aſſembly as ſoon as may be.

And *it is further Voted and Reſolved*, That if the ſaid *George Gardner*, and *Benjamin Wickham*, ſhall neglect or refuſe to pay the Balance due from them reſpectively, that then, and in that Caſe, the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed, and fully empowered to ſue them, or either of them, (ſo neglecting or refuſing) for the ſame, at the next Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Seſſions of the Peace, to be holden at *Newport*, within and for the County of *Newport*.

Whereas Meſſrs. *Simon Peaſe*, *Thomas Cranſton*, *Solomon Townſend*, and *Daniel Ayrault*, jun. preſented unto this Aſſembly a State of the Account of *Benjamin Nichols*, Eſq; together with their Report thereon, a Copy of the Diſcharge by them given the ſaid *Benjamin Nichols* in Behalf of the Colony, and the Diſcharge given them by the ſaid *Nichols*; and alſo an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for their Service reſpecting the aforeſaid Matters, as followeth, *to wit*:

Dr. --- *The Colony of* Rhode-Iſland. *Account current with* Benj. Nichols.

May 26, 1746.	To Caſh paid the Committee,	£.	1600	0	0	
June 11, 1747.	To ditto paid ditto,		21241	13	0	
June 9, 1749.	To ditto paid ditto,		16700	0	0	
Aug. 15, 1749.	To ditto paid ditto,		26722	2	10	
Feb. 22, 1750.	To ditto paid ditto,		12922	18	7	
28, 1750.	To ditto paid ditto,		19502	0	0	
April 22, 1752.	To ditto paid ditto,		27445	8	7	
18, 1753.	To ditto paid ditto,		20088	0	0	
March 6, 1758.	To ditto paid ditto,		120550	16	11	
June 8, 1759.	To ditto paid ditto,		11834	3	10	
Auguſt, 1759.	To ditto paid ditto,		26760	18	10	
Oct. 27. 1760.	To ditto paid ditto,		1177	4	6	
Sept. 1761.	To ditto paid ditto,		70053	7	0	
						£. 376598 14 1

To

To Commiſſions on the Monies paid the ſeveral Committees at ſundry Times, as above-mentioned, £.376598 14s. 1d. at 1 and quarter per Cent. which was allowed to *Jahleel Brenton*, Eſq;				£.4707 9 7
To Bonds delivered the Committee of the ſeveral Old Tenor Banks,	£.24033	4	4	
To ditto of the 7th Bank, New Tenor, £.3268 11s. 11d. which is in Old Tenor	13074	5	8	
To ditto of the 8th Bank, New Tenor, £.18465 6s. 4d. which is in Old Tenor,	73861	5	4	
To ditto returned from *Providence*, and delivered the Committee, *March* 18th, 1762, per Receipt,	1001	3	0	
				£.111969 18 5
To Bonds in the Hand of *Thomas Aldrich*, Eſq; of *Eaſt-Greenwich*, per Account ſettled, which have deliver'd the Committee,	7431	3	3	
To Col. *John Andrew*'s Receipts for Colony Bonds delivered the Committee, per Receipt,	5170	1	6	
To Mr. *Benedict Helme*'s Receipts for ditto delivered the Committee, per Receipt,	4333	14	0	
				£. 16934 18 9
To outſtanding Judgments in the County of *Providence*, as per Liſt from the Clerk, deliver'd the Committee,	£. 1149	19	9	
To outſtanding Judgments in the County of *King's County*, per Liſt from the Clerk, delivered the Committee,	3296	1	1	
To outſtanding Judgments in the County of *Newport*, per Liſt from the Clerk, delivered the Commit.	1770	18	1	
To ſundry Charges per Vouchers,	677	11	2	
To Caſh paid *Henry Randal*, per Order of the General Aſſembly,	6	0	0	
To exchanging old torn Money from *June*, 1752, to *Sept.* 1761. £. 100000 at 1 per Cent. allowed per Act of Aſſembly, *June*, 1752.	1000	0	0	
				£. 7900 10 1

To the Amount of Deeds to which the Bonds were given, that are credited, as per Contra of the 3d and 4th Banks, ſaid to have no Deeds agreeing, ſince which it appears that they were given to diſcharge ſome of the Deeds of the 3d and 4th Banks, ſaid to have no Bonds.	£.	3518	10	10	
To Deeds of the 3d and 4th Banks, ſaid to have no Bonds, agreeing per Liſt Book delivered the Commitee		3339	10	0	
To *Stephen Arnold*'s Mortgage Deed unſatisfied at the Clerk's Office in *Providence*.		105	0	0	
To Caſh paid *John Andrews*, Eſq; of *Providence*, for ſuing a Number of Mortgage Deeds that are mentioned above, per Receipt.		205	10	0	
To Caſh paid for ſuing Mortgages before-mentioned in *King*'s County,		91	4	9	
To ditto paid for ditto ſued in *Kent* County,		48	11	0	
					7308 6 7
					£. 525419 17 5
1762. *March* 22. To Caſh paid the Committee, per Receipt,					10283 1 11
					£. 535702 19 4

Creditor,

Feb. 1745. By Caſh,	£.	1600	0	0	
June, 1747. By ditto,		6239	2	6	
By Bonds in the 3d Bank,		22394	17	3	
By ditto in the 4th ditto,		36648	8	0	
By Bonds without Deeds of the 3d and 4th Banks,		2383	19	7	
By ditto received of Col. *Updike*,		12029	12	0	
					£. 81295 19 4
By the whole Amount of the 5th Bank,	£	100000	0	0	
By ditto of the 6th ditto,		100000	0	0	
By ditto of the 7th ditto,		80000	0	0	
By ditto of the 8th ditto,		160000	0	0	
					440000 0 0
By the Amount of the Mortgage Deeds of the 3d and 4th Banks, ſaid to have no Bonds, as received from *Jahleel Brenton*, Eſq; after deducting £. 108 9s. 0d.					14407 0 0
					£. 535702 19 4

Newport, *March* 22, 1762.
Errors excepted. Per *Benjamin Nichols*.
Dr. ---

Dr. — Benjamin Nichols, *Eſq*; *his Account current with the Colony of* Rhode-Iſland.

1761. To the Amount of the preceding Account,	£. 535702	19	4
To Commiſſions of 1 and quarter per Cent. on £. 376598 14*s*. 1*d*. charged by Mr. *Nichols*, not allowed.	4707	9	7
To the Amount of ſundry Deeds of the 3d and 4th Banks, to which it was ſuppoſed Bonds were given (and charged by Mr. *Nichols*) but which does not appear to the Committee.	3518	10	10
	£. 543928	19	9

Creditor.

1762. By the Amount of the preceding Account,	£. 535702	19	4
By the Amount of ſundry Deeds of the 3d and 4th Banks, being Part of the £. 3518 10*s*. 10*d*. on the other Side which the Committee have found to agree.	1502	17	6
June 12. By Caſh received of Mr. *Nichols*, in full,	6723	2	11
	£. 543928	19	9

Newport, June 12th, 1762.

We the Subſcribers being appointed by the Honorable General Aſſembly, at their *June* Seſſion, 1761, to receive of *Benjamin Nichols*, Eſq; late Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office, all the Mortgages, Bonds, Papers, and Monies, and deliver the Mortgages, Bonds and Papers to *Edward Thurſton*, Eſq; the preſent Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office, and to burn ſaid Monies; alſo to audit and ſettle ſaid *Nichols*'s Accounts; do report, That agreeable to ſaid Appointment, we have received of ſaid *Nichols*, at ſeveral Times, Eighty-ſeven Thouſand and Fifty-nine Pounds Ten Shillings and Ten Pence Old Tenor, which we have burnt; and have alſo received all the Mortgages, Bonds and Papers belonging to the Colony, and have delivered the ſame to *Edward Thurſton*, Eſq; the preſent Keeper of ſaid Office, and have taken his Receipt for the ſame; and have given ſaid *Nichols* a Diſcharge in Behalf of the Colony, but have not allowed Mr. *Nichols* any Pay for his Trouble in ſaid Office, more than what he received by Act of the General Aſſembly, but are of Opinion that ſaid *Nichols* is intitled to a further Conſideration from the Government. A State of his Account ſettled, we herewith preſent, with a Copy of his Diſcharge. All which is humbly ſubmitted by

Simon Peaſe,
Thomas Cranſton,
Solomon Townſend,
Daniel Ayrault, jun. } Committee.

N. B. In ſettling the Office with Mr. *Nichols*, we find that a Mortgage Deed was given by Mr. *John Potter*, of *South-Kingſtown*, for

for £. 136 in the 4th Bank; to which Mortgage Deed no Bonds were ever delivered, either to Mr. *Brenton* or Mr. *Nichols*, although the Bonds were produced in Court to diſcharge ſaid Mortgage.

Newport, June 12th, 1762.

We the Subſcribers being appointed, with *John Tillinghaſt*, Eſq; a Committee by the General Aſſembly, to receive of *Benjamin Nichols*, Eſq; late Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office, all thd Mortgages, Bonds, Papers, Bills of Credit, and other Things in his Hands belonging to the Colony, and to deliver the ſame to *Edward Thurſton*, Eſq; the preſent Keeper of ſaid Office, do hereby acknowledge that we have performed that Duty, and thereupon do acquit the ſaid *Benjamin Nichols* in all Matters relative thereto: And we being alſo appointed, directed and empowered to audit the Accounts of ſaid *Benjamin Nichols*, and to receive from him all the Bills of Credit in his Hands, paid for Tenth Bonds due to the Colony, do further acknowledge, that we have fully examined his Accounts, liquidated his Charges, and ſettled his whole Debt and Credit with the Colony, and find upon the whole, that a Balance of Six Thouſand Seven Hundred and Twenty-three Pounds Two Shillings and Eleven Pence Old Tenor, is due from the ſaid *Benjamin Nichols* to the Colony, upon a full and final Adjuſtment; which Sum the ſaid *Benjamin Nichols* hath this Day paid into our Hands, and we acknowledge the Receipt thereof; and thereupon do, by Virtue of our Appointment aforeſaid in Behalf of the Colony, releaſe, acquit, and diſcharge the ſaid *Benjamin Nichols* from all Demands which the *Colony* hath againſt ſaid *Benjamin*, in Conſequence of his being One of the Grand Committee, or Keeper of their Office.

Signed, *Simon Peaſe*, *Thomas Cranſton*, *Solomon Townſend*, *Daniel Ayrault*, jun. } Committee.

Newport, Auguſt 19th, 1762.

I the Subſcriber, *Benjamin Nichols*, late Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office for the Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, do acknowledge to have adjuſted, ſettled, and fully determined with *Simon Peaſe*, *Thomas Cranſton*, *Solomon Townſend*, and *Daniel Ayrault*, jun. the Committee appointed by the Colony aforeſaid for that Purpoſe, all my Accounts and Charges againſt the ſaid Colony, as Keeper of the ſaid Grand Committee's Office, and have paid the ſaid Committee the Sum of Six Thouſand and Seven Hundred and Twenty-three Pounds Two Shillings and Eleven Pence, being the Balance due to the ſaid Colony. As Witneſs my Hand,

£. 6723 2s. 11d. *Benjamin Nichols.*

Colony of Rhode-Iſland *to the Committee* ---- *Dr.*

1762. To our Trouble in exchanging £. 30000 of the Money emitted in *March*, 1750, and ſome Lawful Money received of *Benjamin Nichols*, Eſq; to burn at 1 per Cent. } £. 300 0 0

To

To our Time and Trouble in receiving £.87059 11s. 10d. of *Benjamin Nichols*, Eſq; late Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office, and burning the ſame Sum; and alſo receiving of ſaid *Nichols* all the Mortgages, Bonds and Papers, and delivering the ſame to *Edward Thurſton*, Eſq; the preſent Keeper of ſaid Office; taking a Liſt of the ſame, with a Receipt, which is lodged in the Secretary's Office.

Simon Peaſe, 40 Days, at £.6 per Day,	£.240	0 0
Thomas Cranſton, 40 Days, at £.6 per Day,	240	0 0
Daniel Ayrault, 40 Days, at £.6 per Day,	240	0 0
Solomon Townſend, 20 Days, at £.6 per Day,	120	0 0
	840	0 0
	£.1140	0 0

Simon Peaſe,
Thomas Cranſton,
Solomon Townſend,
Daniel Ayrault, jun.

N. B. We have exchanged Four Hundred Pounds out of the Balance received from Mr. *Nichols* this Day, (*June* 12th, 1762.) for which we have not charged the Government.

And the Premiſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be accepted: That the Account of the Committee be allowed; and that One Thouſand, One Hundred and Forty Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Simon Peaſe*, *Thomas Cranſton*, *Daniel Ayrault*, jun. and *Solomon Townſend*, out of the General Treaſury.

AN ACT to prevent Stage-Plays, and other Theatrical Entertainments within this Colony.

For preventing and avoiding the many Miſchiefs which ariſe from public Stage-Plays, Interludes, and other Theatrical Entertainments, which not only occaſion great and unneceſſary Expences, and diſcourage Induſtry and Frugality, but likewiſe tend generally to increaſe Immorality, Impiety, and Contempt of Religion;

Be *it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted*, That immediately from and after the Publication of this Act, no Perſon or Perſons whoſoever ſhall or may, for his or their Gain, or any Price or valuable Conſideration, by or under any Pretence whatſoever, let, or ſuffer to be uſed or improved, any Houſe, Room, or Place whatſoever in this Colony, acting or carrying on any Stage-Plays, Interludes, or other Theatrical Entertainments, on Pain of forfeiting and paying for each and every Day or Time ſuch Houſe, or Room, or Place ſhall be let, uſed, or improved, contrary to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act, Fifty Pounds Lawful Money.

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That if any Perſon or Perſons whoſoever, ſhall, from and after the Publication of this Act, preſume to act any Stage-Play, Interlude, or other Theatrical Entertainment, in any Houſe, Room, or Place whatſoever within this Colony, contrary to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act, he, ſhe, or they, ſo offending, ſhall forfeit and pay the Sum of One Hundred Pounds Lawful Money.

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That all ſuch Fines and Forfeitures, as ſhall hereafter be forfeited in Conſequence of this Act, ſhall be recovered by Action of the Caſe in the Inferior Court of Common Pleas eſtabliſhed in the County where ſuch Offence ſhall be committed, or in a Special Court of the Juſtices of ſaid Inferior Court called for that Purpoſe, and to be held under the ſame Rules and Regulations as are already preſcribed by the Laws of this Colony for holding Special Courts.

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That any Freeholder in this Colony may commence and proſecute ſuch Action againſt any Perſon or Perſons, who ſhall be ſuſpected of being guilty of a Breach of the aforeſaid Act, to either the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, or Special Court of the Juſtices of ſaid Court as aforeſaid, at the Election of the Complainant; which Judgment ſhall be final.

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That all ſuch Fines and Forfeitures as ſhall be forfeited and recovered in Conſequence of this Act, ſhall be, one Moiety or half Part thereof, depoſited in the General Treaſury, and appropriated to and for the Uſe of the Colony; and the other Moiety, or half Part thereof, to the Perſon who ſhall inform, and effectually proſecute the ſame to final Judgment and Execution.

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That in Caſe any Action ſhall be commenced in Conſequence of this Act, wherein due Proof cannot be had to ſupport any Complaint made of a Breach of this Law, unleſs by ſome of thoſe Perſons who ſhall be preſent, or ſuſpected to be preſent at ſaid Breach as a Spectator; in ſuch Caſe it ſhall and may be lawful for the Complainant to ſummon ſuch Spectator, or Spectators, before ſuch Court, wherein ſaid Action ſhall be triable, to give his or their Evidence, on Oath, to the Truth of what he, ſhe or they ſhall know reſpecting the Breach of the aforeſaid Act: And in Caſe he, ſhe or they ſhall refuſe to give his, her or their Evidence as aforeſaid, that then, and in ſuch Caſe, he, ſhe or they ſhall be forthwith committed unto His Majeſty's Gaol in the County where ſuch Offence ſhall be committed, without Bail or Mainprize, and there to remain until he, ſhe or they, ſo impriſoned, ſhall give Evidence as aforeſaid, or until they be legally diſcharged therefrom by the Court who gave Orders for his her or their Commitment.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That if any Perſon or Perſons ſhall neglect or refuſe to pay the Fine by this Act inflicted on them, at the Time of their being convicted of a Breach thereof; that then, and in ſuch Caſe, ſuch Perſon or Perſons ſhall be forthwith committed to his Majeſty's Gaol in the County where ſuch Offence

Offence ſhall be committed, and there be cloſely confined until ſuch Fine be paid with Coſts.

And whereas by a Petition preferred to this Aſſembly by a Number of the Inhabitants of the County of *Providence*, ſetting forth, that a Number of Stage-Players have lately appeared, and a Play-Houſe hath lately been built, in ſaid Town of *Providence* : That the Inhabitants of ſaid Town, being legally called by Warrant, did, at their late Town Meeting, by a great Majority, paſs a Vote that no Stage-Plays be acted in ſaid Town ; yet the Actors thereof, in Defiance of ſaid Vote, and in Defiance of the public Authority of ſaid Town, have been, and are now, daily continuing to exhibit Stage-Plays, and other Theatrical Performances ;

Be *it therefore further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That in order more ſpeedily to cauſe this Act to be proclaimed where thoſe Perſons may have the earlieſt Notice thereof, that His Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requeſted to iſſue a Warrant, directed to a proper Officer or Officers in ſaid County of *Providence*, directing him or them forthwith, on Sight and Receipt thereof, to immediately proclaim the aforeſaid Act, by Beat of Drum, through the Streets of the compact Part of the Town of *Providence*. Any Law, Cuſtom, or Uſage to the contrary hereof in any wiſe notwithſtanding.

Whereas ſeveral of the Inhabitants of the Town of *Newport* preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That the ſaid Town, in *June* laſt, ordered a Rate of £. 12000 to be made, to pay off the Debts of the Town : That the Rate-makers of the ſaid Town did accordingly aſſeſs the ſaid Rate, and deliver a Bill in to have it collected. That the ſaid Bill, in the Opinion of the Petitioners, is very unequally proportioned, and that upwards of One Hundred Perſons are not rated therein, many of whom are Freeholders and Freemen of the Town : And that from ſo great a Number of Perſons being omitted, and comparing the Sums againſt the Names of thoſe who are rated, they have the higheſt Reaſon to think that the ſaid Rate is aſſeſſed in a very negligent, careleſs, or partial Manner. And thereupon the Petitioners prayed this Aſſembly to paſs an Act, making void ſaid Rate, and ſo forth.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Town of *Newport* be, and hereby is directed, and fully empowered, to chooſe two or more Rate-makers, to join with thoſe already choſen : That they, or the major Part of them, be, and they are hereby directed to examine, correct, and amend the aforementioned Rate, as ſoon as may be : That if it ſhall appear, that the Rates of thoſe who have already paid, are too much, or too little, that the Collector pay the Overplus, or receive what ſhall be wanting : And that if any more Rates be ordered before the next Town Election, that thoſe who ſhall be choſen, by Virtue of this Act, and thoſe already choſen, or the major Part of them, ſhall proportion the ſame.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Limits of the Gaol in *King's County* extend Twenty Feet Southward from the Gaol Houſe; the whole Length,

Eaſt

Eaſt and Weſt, of the Colony's Lot of Land on which ſaid Gaol ſtands; and the whole Extent of ſaid Lot Northward: And that Mr. *William Potter*, and the Sheriff of the ſaid County of *King's County* be, and they are hereby appointed to ſtake out ſaid Limits, and acquaint the Gaol-Keeper therewith.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requeſted to write to his Excellency General *Amherſt*, and inform him, that the Billeting Rolls for the Year 1757, were preſented to him about a Year and an half ago, by Col. *Babcock*, who informed the Government they were not paid, by Reaſon of ſome Miſtake in drawing them, which is now corrected: And alſo to deſire his Excellency to give Orders for the Payment of the ſaid Rolls; and to requeſt him, in Caſe he ſhall decline paying them, to give a Certificate thereof, and to inform the Government where to apply for Payment of the ſame

WHEREAS ſome, or all of the Members of the Committee of War, have drawn out of the General Treaſury, ſeveral Sums of the Lawful Money, which was collected by the laſt Tax, and paid into the Treaſury for diſcharging the Government's Obligations; and to ſecure the General Treaſurer, gave to him their Obligations to replace the ſaid Lawful Money in the Treaſury, if required by the General Aſſembly: *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That if upon the Settlement of the Accounts of the ſaid Members of the Committee of War, a Balance ſhall appear to be due from them, or any of them, that the ſame be by them paid into the General Treaſury in the Lawful Money Bills dated in the Year 1760, or in Lawful Money Bills of an earlier Date, with Intereſt from the Time they received it, to the Time of Payment: That thereupon the General Treaſurer give up their ſaid Obligations, on Account of their old Orders: And that if the ſaid Committee of War, or any of them, have paid to the Soldiers, or their Wives, or Orders, more than they were obliged by Law to pay, that the ſame be not reckoned in the above-mentioned Settlements.

WHEREAS the General Aſſembly, at the Seſſion held at *Newport* on the Second Monday in *June* laſt, appointed *Daniel Jenckes*, Eſq; and Mr. *William Wheaton*, a Committee to compleat the Outſide of the Court Houſe in *Providence*, ſo far as to keep it from taking Damage, lay the Floors, build the Stairs, and compleat Two Rooms in the Chamber, ſuitable for the General Aſſembly to ſit in; and empowered the ſaid Committee to draw out of the General Treaſury the Sum of Ten Thouſand Pounds for that Purpoſe: *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the above-mentioned Work be compleated in ſuch Manner, that the ſaid Ten Thouſand Pounds will be ſufficient to do the ſame.

WHEREAS the General Aſſembly, at the Seſſion held at *South-Kingſtown* on the laſt Wedneſday of *October* laſt, did grant a Lottery for raiſing the Sum of Fifteen Hundred Pounds, for breaking down the Falls

Falls in the River called *Seaconck* River, known by the Name of *Pawtucket Falls*, for making a Paſſage for the Fiſh further up the River; and appointed Mr. *Baulſton Brayton*, *John Dexter*, Eſq; Capt. *David Whipple*, Mr. *Daniel Mowrey*, and Capt. *Stephen Jenckes*, Directors for carrying on ſaid Lottery, Two of which Directors, *to wit*, the ſaid *Stephen Jenckes*, and *Baulſton Brayton*, decline ſerving. *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That Mr. *Stephen Whipple*, and Capt. *Sylvanus Sayles* be, and they are hereby appointed Directors in their Room.

WHEREAS *Jedediah Freeman*, of *Rehoboth*, in the County of *Briſtol*, in the Province of the *Maſſachuſetts-Bay*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That in the Spring of the Year he inliſted into the Service of this Colony, in the Regiment raiſed under the Command of Col. *Roſe*. That he proceeded with the ſaid Regiment as far as *New-York*, where he ſaw a Number of Tranſports, deſigned, as he ſuppoſed, for a Southern Expedition, which occaſioned him to deſert, and return Home. That he humbly acknowledges his Fault, and is willing to repay the Bounty he hath received, and all other Charges which the Colony hath been at upon his Account. And thereupon the ſaid *Jedediah Freeman* prayed this Aſſembly to acquit him.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Prayer of the ſaid *Jedediah Freeman*, in the foregoing Petition made, be, and the ſame is hereby granted: And that *Shearjaſhub Bourn*, Eſq; One of the Committee of War, be, and he is hereby directed and empowered to receive of him the Bounty, Wages, Billeting, and all other Charges the Colony hath been at upon his Account, and lodge the ſame in the General Treaſury: And to give the ſaid *Jedediah Freeman* a Diſcharge.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to improve the Money which Mr. *Nathaniel Mumford* received of his Excellency General *Amherſt*, and hath lodged in the Treaſury, in paying off the Silver Money Judgments and Bonds, due from the Colony to particular Perſons; and alſo in diſcharging all ſuch *Crown-Point* Bills and Notes as are yet outſtanding: And that *George Hazard*, Eſq; and Mr. *Edward Thurſton*, jun. be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to burn all the *Crown-Point* Notes, which have been paid, and are now lodged in the General Treaſury.

And it is further Voted and Reſolved, That all Perſons who have in their Hands any of the Lawful Money Bills emitted in *February* and *Auguſt*, A. D. 1756, and in *June*, A. D. 1759, forthwith bring the ſame to the General Treaſurer, in order to be redeemed with Silver and Gold: And that all Perſons who ſhall neglect to bring into the General Treaſury ſuch *Crown-Point* Bills and Notes, and Lawful Money Bills, emitted in *February* and *Auguſt*, A. D. 1756, and *June*, A. D. 1759, in their Hands, within Six Months from and after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, ſhall loſe the Benefit of having them exchanged: And that the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed, to give public Notice thereof in the *Newport Mercury* three Weeks ſucceſſively.

WHEREAS *Job Randal, Gideon Comſtock, Othniel Gorton, Benjamin Nichols*, and *James Helme*, Eſqrs. preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That they were appointed to examine and ſettle the Accounts of *Jahleel Brenton*, Eſq; with the Colony: That they undertook, and proſecuted ſaid Affair with Diligence, Care, and Expence, and finally finiſhed, and put an End to a Controverſy, which had long ſubſiſted between the Colony and the ſaid *Jahleel Brenton*, and made Report thereof to the General Aſſembly, which Report was accepted. That in the Proſecution of the ſaid Buſineſs, they expended large Sums of their own Money: That the Reward granted by the General Aſſembly, is by no Means equal to the Expence and Fatigue they were at in ſettling the ſame. And thereupon they prayed this Aſſembly to grant them an additional Reward of Forty Shillings per Day, for Horſe-hire and Expences in attending upon the ſaid Buſineſs.

On Conſideration whereof,

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That Forty Shillings be allowed, and paid out of the General Treaſury, to *Job Randal, Othniel Gorton, James Helme*, and *Gideon Comſtock*, for each and every Day by them reſpectively employed in attending upon the ſaid Buſineſs.

I THE Subſcriber diſſent from the above Vote, allowing Forty Shillings per Day more than they have been already allowed, for the following Reaſon.

BECAUSE their Account hath been laid before the General Aſſembly, and fairly debated, and Six Pounds per Day hath been already allowed, which, in my Opinion, is enough, and what hath been commonly allowed by the Aſſembly in ſuch Caſes.

Benjamin Tillinghaſt.

WHEREAS *Gideon Comſtock*, and Mr. *Edward Thurſton*, jun. preſented unto this Aſſembly the following Report, and Account, *to wit*:

WE the Subſcribers being appointed at the laſt Seſſion of Aſſembly, a Committee to receive of the Honorable *Stephen Hopkins*, Eſq; late Governor of this Colony, the Charter, and what elſe might be in his Hands belonging to the Colony, and deliver them to the Honorable *Samuel Ward*, Eſq; the preſent Governor: And alſo to wait upon all the Members of the late, and preſent Committee of War, and enquire of them, if they had delivered their Muſter Rolls for the Years 1761, and 1762, to the late Governor; and to require ſuch of them as had not delivered their Muſter Rolls to the late Governor, to attend ſaid Aſſembly with their Muſter Rolls compleated; do report, That we have received of his Honor the late Governor, and delivered to his Honor the preſent Governor, the Charter, and other Things ſpecified in the Receipt herewith preſented: We alſo waited upon ſuch Members of the Committee of War as we were directed, and ſummoned thoſe who had not delivered their Muſter Rolls as aforeſaid to appear agreeable to the Order of Aſſembly.

Newport, June 22, 1762.

Gideon Comſtock,
Edward Thurſton, jun.

Colony

Colony to the Committee, ---- *Dr.*

To Caſh paid the Hire of a Horſe and Chair,	£. 35	0	0
To ditto paid Expences, - - - - -	24	19	0
To our Time, 4 Days each, is 8 Days, at £. 6 per Day,	48	0	0
	£. 107	19	0

Newport, June 22, 1762.

Errrors excepted.

Gideon Comſtock,
Edward Thurſton, jun.

And the Premiſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved,* That the foregoing Report be accepted: That the Account of the Committee be allowed; and that One Hundred and Seven Pounds Nineteen Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Gideon Comſtock,* and *Edward Thurſton,* jun. out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *John Morell,* now reſiding in *Newport,* preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That he was late one of the Subjects of the King of *Spain,* but hath for ſeveral Years reſided in *Newport,* and followed the Trade and Buſineſs of Merchandizing: And that he hath married a Wife in ſaid *Newport.* And thereupon the ſaid *John Morell* prayed this Aſſembly, that an Act of Naturalization may be paſſed in his Favor.

On Conſideration whereof,

Be *it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted,* That the ſaid *John Morell* be, and he is hereby naturalized, and forever hereafter ſhall be adjudged, deemed, and taken to be naturalized, to all Intents and Purpoſes; and hereby is rendered and made equal, in every Reſpect, to a free-born Subject of this Colony; provided he take the proper Oaths.

And afterwards, *to wit,* on the Ninth Day of *September,* One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-two, and in the Second Year of His Majeſty's Reign, the ſaid *John Morell* came before his Honor the Deputy Governor, and the Secretary, and took and ſubſcribed the Oaths appointed by Act of Parliament.

Whereas Meſſrs. *Walter Cranſton* and *Edward Thurſton,* jun. preſented unto this Aſſembly as follows, *to wit:*

Colony of *Rhode-Iſland,* &c.

Newport, Auguſt 20, 1762.

The General Aſſembly, at the laſt Seſſion, appointed Meſſrs. *Walter Cranſton,* and *Edward Thurſton,* jun. a Committee to examine the Accounts of the Secretary, and directed them to make Report at the next Seſſion.

Witneſs, *Henry Ward,* Secr'y.

Newport, Auguſt 20, 1762.

We the Subſcribers, in Conſequence of the preceding Appointment, have examined the Accounts of *Henry Ward,* Eſq; and do report, that the

the ſeveral Articles are charged according to Law, excepting a few, which we think reaſonable: And that the Sum of One Thouſand Eight Hundred and Fifty-one Pounds, Eleven Shillings and Four Pence Old Tenor, the Amount thereof, is juſtly due to the ſaid *Henry Ward.* Which is ſubmitted by

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Edward Thurſton, jun.

Colony Dr. to the above Committee,
For 1 Day's Service each, in auditing the ſaid Accounts, at £.6 per Day, } £.12 0 0

ALL which being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved,* That the ſaid Accounts of the Secretary be allowed; that One Thouſand Eight Hundred and Fifty-one Pounds, Eleven Shillings and Four Pence, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Henry Ward*, out of the General Treaſury: That the Account of the Committee be allowed; and that Twelve Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Walter Cranſton*, and *Edward Thurſton*, jun. out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *Joſeph Clarke*, Eſq; General Treaſurer, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That he was appointed in *October* laſt, to draw Bills on the Agent for Nine Thouſand Pounds Sterling; which he undertook, and performed with a vaſt Deal of Care and Pains; and alſo with a great Deal of Riſque in counting the Money, calculating the Intereſt and Advance upon about One Hundred and Twenty Setts of Bills of Exchange, which he filled up; and alſo in receiving and calculating a great many Sums of Lawful Money, which he received for the Silver and Gold that he took for ſome of ſaid Bills; a vaſt Number of ſingle Bills being brought in. And thereupon the ſaid *Joſeph Clarke* prayed this Aſſembly, to grant him a reaſonable Allowance for his ſaid extraordinary Service.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the ſaid *Joſeph Clarke* be allowed, and paid the Sum of One Thouſand Pounds Old Tenor, out of the General Treaſury, for his aforementioned extraordinary Trouble and Service.

WHEREAS Mr. *George Lawton*, Keeper of His Majeſty's Gaol in the County of *Newport*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for the Priſon Fees of *John Shearman*, *Nathan Quippen*, *Benjamin Auſtin*, *Fortune*, (a Negro) and *Elizabeth Riley*, amounting to One Hundred and Thirty-two Pounds, Sixteen Shillings. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that the ſaid Sum of One Hundred and Thirty-two Pounds, Sixteen Shillings, be paid the ſaid *George Lawton* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Capt. *Eliſha Ballou* preferred a Petition unto this Aſſembly, at the Seſſion held in *June* laſt, which Petition was then referred to the former Committee of War in *Providence*, who were to examine the

the ſame, and make Report to this Seſſion ; and not having performed that Buſineſs, *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved,* That the ſame Committee be, and they are hereby continued a Committee for the Purpoſe for which they were appointed ; and that they make Report to this Aſſembly as ſoon as may be.

It *is Voted and Reſolved,* That *William Read,* Captain of Fort *George,* be, and he is hereby directed, and fully empowered to inliſt Six good Men, upon the beſt Terms he can, to ſerve as Soldiers at ſaid Fort, during the Pleaſure of the General Aſſembly.

Whereas *David Bucklin,* of *Providence,* in the County of *Providence,* Trader, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That he is ſo reduced by the Loſſes he hath met with in Trade, that he is not able to pay his juſt Debts : That his Eſtate conſiſts principally of a Houſe and Lot of Land in ſaid *Providence,* ſome Houſhold Furniture, and ſome few Debts due to him : That he hath a Wife and Four ſmall Children, utterly unable to ſupport themſelves : That he is now, and hath been upwards of Seven Months confined in Priſon, in ſaid *Providence,* for Debt, and is thereby rendered unable to ſupport himſelf and Family by his Labour, but is obliged to ſubſiſt himſelf and them out of the ſmall Remains of his Perſonal Eſtate, which will be ſoon exhauſted, and they reduced to very deplorable Circumſtances, if not timely relieved by this Aſſembly : And that he is willing to give up all that he hath, for the Benefit of his Creditors, in order to regain his Liberty, that he may be able to ſupport himſelf and Family by his Induſtry. And thereupon the ſaid *David Bucklin* prayed this Aſſembly to afford him Relief, by paſſing an Act of Inſolvency in his Favour, with ſuch Conditions and Limitations as ſhall be thought fit.

On Conſideration whereof,

It *is Voted and Reſolved,* That the Prayer of the ſaid *David Bucklin,* contained in the foregoing Petition, be, and the ſame is hereby granted, agreeable to the laſt Act of Inſolvency, made and paſſed by the General Aſſembly of this Colony.

Whereas *John Andrews,* Eſq; repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That *Joſeph Sherwood,* Eſq; Agent for this Colony, hath directed him to pay the Balance of his Account, being Nine Pounds, Seven Shillings, and Six Pence, Sterling Money of *Great-Britain,* into the General Treaſury of this Colony, and take a Receipt for the ſame, upon Account of the ſaid *Joſeph Sherwood.* And thereupon the ſaid *John Andrews* prayed this Aſſembly, to order the General Treaſurer to receive ſaid Money of him, and to give him a proper Receipt for ſo much received of the ſaid *Joſeph Sherwood.*

And the ſaid Petition being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved,* That the ſame be, and hereby is granted,

Whereas *Anthony Holdon,* of *Warwick,* in the County of *Kent,* preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That in the

Month of *October*, A. D. 1748, he was a Mariner on board His Majeſty's Ship the *Canterbury*, and in an Engagement with the Enemy had his Right Arm ſhot off cloſe to his Body, which has rendered him entirely unable to ſupport himſelf: That he is allowed by the Crown a Penſion of Eight Pounds Sterling per Annum only, and is obliged to appear in Perſon, at a very great Expence, Once in every Five Years, to entitle him to receive the ſame; That he drew Bills in Favor of Mr. *Aaron Lopez*, for Sixteen Pounds, (being due to him for his Penſion for Two Years) which are returned unpaid: That he hath ſince been ſued by the ſaid *Lopez*, upon Account of the ſaid Bills; and is therefore obliged to go Home, but is not, by Reaſon of his Poverty, able to proceed on the Voyage. And therefore the ſaid *Anthony Holdon* prayed this Aſſembly to grant him a Sum of Money, to enable him to go to England, in order to entitle him to the Continuance of his Penſion.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Sum of Thirty Dollars be allowed, and delivered the ſaid *Anthony Holdon*, out of the General Treaſury, to enable him to make a Voyage to *England*, to ſecure the Continuance of his Penſion.

WHEREAS his Honor the Deputy Governor, *Edward Scott*, and *George Hazard*, Eſqrs. and Meſſrs. *Walter Cranſton*, and *William Richardſon*, who were appointed a Committee to examine how much of all Sorts of Money hath been emitted upon the Faith and Credit of the Government, preſented unto this Aſſembly the following State of that Account, and Report, *to wit:*

Dr. ---- The Colony of Rhode-Iſland, *&c. for Bills of Credit emitted to ſupply the General Treaſury.*

		Old Tenor.
1749-50. *Feb.* 27.	To Bills of Credit outſtanding the 27th of *Feb.* 1749, as by Report then made to the General Aſſembly,	£.135335 13 1½

Creditor.

1751. *June*	By Bills of Credit received for Bills of Exchange, and burnt, as per Report made to the General Aſſembly, *June* 18th, 1751.	£.24280 2 0
	By ditto, Part of the Rate for £.35000 Old Tenor, ordered in *October*, 1754, and burnt, as per Report made to the General Aſſembly, dated *February* 13th, 1756.	13792 0 0
	By ditto, Part of the Rate for £.70000 Old Tenor, ordered in *October*, 1755, burnt, as per Report made in *February*, 1758.	3575 15 11
	Bills of Credit yet outſtanding, due from the Colony in Old Tenor Bills.	93687 15 2½
		£.135335 13 1½

Debtor.

Debtor.

1755. *March* 6th.	To *Crown-Point* Bills,	£. 60000	0	0
2d Monday. *June.*	To ditto,	40000	0	0
Auguſt 11.	To ditto,	20000	0	0
Sept. 8.	To ditto,	60000	0	0
December 22.	To ditto,	60000	0	0
		£. 240000	0	0

Creditor.

1756. *Aug.*	By *Crown-Point* Bills burnt, as per Report made to the General Aſſembly.	£. 18208	0	0
Nov.	By ditto	18430	3	0
1757. *March.*	By ditto,	177006	11	6
June 2.	By ditto, per Receipt given the late Treaſurer,	11400	7	0
1758. *Feb.*	By ditto, per Report made to the Aſſembly,	7717	8	0
Sept. 15.	By ditto, per Receipt given to the late Treaſurer,	2930	11	6
1759. *June.*	By ditto, per Report made to the Aſſembly,	1181	15	6
1761. *Feb.*	By ditto, as per Treaſurer's Account then audited,	760	9	6
May 29.	By ditto, per Receipt given to *William Richardſon*,	42	17	0
		£. 237678	3	0

Debtor.

		Lawful Money.		
1756. Laſt Monday, *Feb.*	To Lawful Money Bills,	£. 8000	0	0
Aug. & *Sept.*	To ditto, (the Bills dated in *Aug.* 1756)	6000	0	0
		£. 14000	0	0

Creditor.

1758. *Feb.* 14.	By Lawful Money burnt, as per Report made to the Aſſembly,	£. 4000	0	0
Sept. 15.	By ditto emitted in *February*, 1756, as per Receipt given to the late Treaſurer,	3764	19	8
1759. *June.*	By ditto in full for ſaid Money, as per Report made to the Aſſembly,	235	0	4
	By ditto, *Auguſt* Lawful Money, per ditto,	5605	19	0
1761. *Feb.* 9.	By ditto, per Receipt given to the late Treaſurer,	312	9	3
May 29.	By ditto, per Receipt given to *William Richardſon*,	5	5	6
		£. 13923	4	9

Delivered to the preſent Treaſurer £. 76 15s. 4d. 2q.
Lawful Money, in Gold.

Debtor.

Debtor.

1758. *May* 8.	To Lawful Money Bills carrying an Intereſt of 5 per Cent. per Annum,	£. 10000	0	0
Laſt Wedneſday in *October.*	To ditto, (the Bills dated 23d *Dec.* 1758.)	10909	1	9
1759. *Feb.* 26.	To ditto, (the Bills dated 15th *March*, 1759.)	12000	0	0
	To ditto, (the Bills dated 4th *April*, 1759.)	4000	0	0
June.	To ditto, - - - - -	4000	0	0
1760. *Feb.* 25.	To ditto, (the Bills dated 10th *March*, 1760)	16000	0	0
May.	To ditto, - - - -	11000	0	0
1762. *Feb.*	To ditto, (the Bills dated 20th *March*, 1762,)	5000	3	6
March.	To ditto, (the Bills dated 10th *April*, 1762.)	2000	0	0
May 8.	To ditto, - - - - -	2000	0	0
	- - - - -	£. 76909	5	3

Creditor.

1762, *May.*	By Bills dated *June* 23, 1759, burnt, as per Report made to the Aſſembly,	£. 3686	10	0
	Ditto, dated *May* 8, 1758, burnt, as per ſame Report,	6819	10	9
		£. 10506	0	9

We the Subſcribers being appointed by the General Aſſembly, a Committee to examine how much of all Sorts of Bills hath been emitted upon the Faith and Credit of the Government, do report, That of the ſeveral Emiſſions preceding the 27th Day of *February*, 1749, there was outſtanding at that Time, (as appears by a Report then made to the General Aſſembly, a Copy of which is herewith preſented) the Sum of One Hundred Thirty-five Thouſand Three Hundred and Thirty-five Pounds, Thirteen Shillings and One Penny Half-penny.

That it appears, by a Report made to the General Aſſembly in *June*, 1751, there was burnt of Bills of Credit, received for Bills of Exchange ſold, the Sum of Twenty-four Thouſand Two Hundred and Eighty Pounds Two Shillings Old Tenor.

That in *October*, 1754, the General Aſſembly ordered a Rate for Thirty-five Thouſand Pounds Old Tenor; Ten Thouſand Pounds of which they appropriated for Fort *George*, and the Remainder to ſinking the Colony's outſtanding Bills of Credit made to ſupply the Treaſury: But there was only Thirteen Thouſand Seven Hundred and Ninety-two Pounds applied to the ſinking of the ſaid Bills: Eleven Thouſand Two Hundred and Eight Pounds, collected by that Rate, was exchanged for *Crown-Point* Bills, which were burnt, as appears by a Report made to the Aſſembly in *Auguſt*, 1756.

In *October*, 1755, the General Aſſembly paſſed an Act for a Tax of Seventy Thouſand Pounds Old Tenor, and ordered, that Forty Thouſand Pounds thereof ſhould be appropriated towards ſinking the Colony's outſtanding Bills of Credit, made and emitted to ſupply the General Treaſury,

Treaſury, for defraying the Charge of the then preſent Expedition ; and the remaining Thirty Thouſand Pounds towards ſinking the outſtanding Bills of Credit, made and emitted to ſupply the Treaſury for defraying the Charge of former Expeditions : But by an Act paſſed in *February* following, the whole of that Tax or Rate was appropriated towards ſinking the Bills emitted for carrying on the Expedition againſt *Crown-Point*. In *November*, 1756, there was burnt in Old Tenor Bills, collected by the ſaid Tax, the Sum of Fifty-two Thouſand Two Hundred and Seventy-one Pounds, Seventeen Shillings and Five Pence, of which there was in *Crown-Point* Money, Eighteen Thouſand Four Hundred and Thirty Pounds, Three Shillings ; the Remainder of the Sum then burnt, amounting to Thirty-three Thouſand Eight Hundred and Forty-one Pounds, Fourteen Shillings, and Five Pence, was, by Order of Aſſembly, taken out of the Grand Committee's Office, and placed in the General Treaſury. However, it appears, by a Report made to the General Aſſembly in *February*, 1758, that there was burnt, Three Thouſand Five Hundred and Seventy-five Pounds, Fifteen Shillings and Eleven Pence Old Tenor, Part of this Rate made in 1755.

The Three Sums placed on the Credit-Side of the Account, amounting to Forty-one Thouſand Six Hundred and Forty-ſeven Pounds, Seventeen Shillings and Eleven Pence, being deducted from the Sum outſtanding the 27th of *February*, 1749, there remains Ninety-three Thouſand Six Hundred and Eighty-ſeven Pounds, Fifteen Shillings and Two Pence Half-penny Old Tenor, which is now outſtanding in Old, or rather New Tenor Bills, emitted upon the Faith and Credit of the Government.

There was emitted at the ſeveral Times in the Year 1755, noted on the Debt-Side of the Account, the Sum of Two Hundred and Forty Thouſand Pounds Old Tenor, in Bills called *Crown-Point* Money, of which, as appears by the ſeveral Reports made to the General Aſſembly held at the Times noted on the Credit-Side, and by Receipts given to the late General Treaſurer, *Thomas Richardſon*, Eſq; and to his Executor, Mr. *William Richardſon*, (Copies of which Receipts we herewith preſent) there hath been burnt, the Sum of Two Hundred Thirty-ſeven Thouſand Six Hundred and Seventy-eight Pounds, Three Shillings. We think it proper to mention, that the *Crown-Point* Bills Firſt placed in the Account as burnt, were burnt at Two ſeveral Times ; Firſt Seven Thouſand Pounds, and afterwards the Eleven Thouſand Two Hundred and Eight Pounds abovementioned : And that there was preſented to the General Aſſembly, held in *September*, 1757, a Report dated *May* 27th, 1757, in which the Committee who made that Report, ſay, they had received and burnt Eleven Thouſand and Fifty-three Pounds, One Shilling, *Crown-Point* Money : But as we believe that Sum was included in the Receipt dated *June* 2nd, 1757, we have not placed it in the Account.

In the Year 1756, there was emitted in Bills called Lawful Money, the Sum of Fourteen Thouſand Pounds, whereof Eight Thouſand Pounds was in Bills dated in *February*, 1756, and Six Thouſand Pounds

in Bills dated in *Auguſt*, 1756. There was burnt of theſe Lawful Money Bills, the Sum of Four Thouſand Pounds, as appears by a Report made to the General Aſſembly, held the 14th of *February*, 1758; and the Sum of Three Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-four Pounds, Nineteen Shillings and Eight Pence, in Bills emitted in *February*, 1756, as appears by a Receipt (a Copy of which we herewith preſent) given to the beforementioned General Treaſurer: There was alſo burnt, the Sum of Two Hundred and Thirty-five Pounds and Four Pence Lawful Money, emitted in *February*, 1756, as appears by a Report made to the General Aſſembly, held in *June*, 1759, which the Committee that burnt it, ſay, is in full for ſaid Money: It is in full for Eight Thouſand Pounds, but through Inadvertence the Committee burnt ſome of the Bills dated in *Auguſt*, inſtead of thoſe dated in *February*, ſome of the latter being ſtill extant. By the laſt-mentioned Report, it appears, that the Committee had burnt Five Thouſand Six Hundred and Five Pounds, Nineteen Shillings, *Auguſt* Lawful Money; and by a Receipt, dated *February* 9th, 1761, given to the aforeſaid late General Treaſurer, it appears, that the Committee had received of him, and burnt, Three Hundred and Twelve Pounds and Three Pence, *Auguſt* Lawful Money; and by another Receipt, dated *May* 29th, 1761, given to Mr. *William Richardſon*, (a Copy of both which Receipts we herewith preſent) it appears, they had received of him, and burnt, Five Pounds, Five Shillings and Six Pence of ſaid Lawful Money. The Three Sums of Monies laſt mentioned, together with Seventy-ſix Pounds, Fifteen Shillings and Four Pence Half-penny Lawful Money, in Gold, delivered by the ſaid *William Richardſon* to the preſent General Treaſurer, *Joſeph Clarke*, Eſq; amount to Six Thouſand Pounds and One Penny Half-penny, and will, when the ſaid Gold is exchanged, compleat the ſinking of the whole Fourteen Thouſand Pounds abovementioned.

In *May*, 1758, there was emitted Ten Thouſand Pounds Lawful Money, in Bills carrying an Intereſt of Five per Cent. per Annum; and in Purſuance of Acts of Aſſembly, there have been ſeveral Emiſſions ſince, of the like Sort of Bills, at the Times noted on the Debt-Side of the Account, amounting, with the aforeſaid Emiſſion in *May*, to the Sum of Seventy-ſix Thouſand Nine Hundred and Nine Pounds, Five Shillings and Three Pence Lawful Money: Of which there hath been burnt Three Thouſand Six Hundred and Eighty-ſix Pounds, Ten Shillings, in Bills dated *June* 23d, 1759, and Six Thouſand Eight Hundred and Nineteen Pounds, Ten Shillings and Nine Pence, in Bills dated *May* 8th, 1758; both Sums excluſive of Intereſt on the Bills, as appears by a Report made to the General Aſſembly in *May* laſt paſt. The General Treaſurer hath informed us, that he hath in his Hands the Sum of Sixty-two Pounds Four Shillings and Six Pence, in *May* Bills, 1758, and the Sum of One Hundred and One Pounds in *June* Bills, 1759, and Gold ſufficient to redeem the Remainder of the ſaid *June* Bills ſtill outſtanding.

We

We ſubmit this Report to the Honorable General Aſſembly, and are Their Moſt Humble Servants,

John Gardner,
Edward Scott,
George Hazard,
Walter Cranſton,
William Richardſon.

Newport, Auguſt 13th, 1762.

And the foregoing Report being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved,* That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted.

Whereas *Edward Scott,* and *George Hazard,* Eſqrs. and Meſſrs. *Walter Cranſton,* and *William Richardſon,* preſented unto this Aſſembly the following Report, *to wit:*

We the Subſcribers being, together with the Hon. *John Gardner,* Eſq; Deputy Governor of the Colony, appointed a Committee to examine into the State of the Treaſury, how much Money of all Sorts hath been hired, and what remains unpaid, do report, That we have carefully examined the preſent Treaſurer's Book, and have alſo examined the Book of the late Treaſurer for ſeveral Years paſt, but by Reaſon of the Renewal of Bonds, and that ſome Bonds given for Old Tenor Bills were paid in Dollars and Lawful Money, and for other Reaſons that might be aſſigned, we have not been able to collect a certain Account of all the Money that hath been hired on the Colony's Account, nor are we abſolutely certain of what remains unpaid; but by examining and comparing the late Treaſurer's Book, with the Book and Vouchers of the preſent Treaſurer, are of of Opinion, that there is now due from the Colony the Sum of Forty-three Thouſand Seven Hundred and Forty-nine Pounds, Sixteen Shillings Old Tenor, upon Bonds given for Old Tenor Bills, hired at Ten per Cent. alſo the Sum of Five Thouſand and Sixty-one Pounds Lawful Money, hired at Seven per Cent. and that there is alſo due, Seven Thouſand One Hundred and Ninety-one Dollars, and about One Half of a Dollar; in theſe are included Four Hundred and Ninety-ſix Dollars, and almoſt Three Quarters of a Dollar, for which Judgment of Court was obtained in *May* Term laſt paſt. We did not reckon the Intereſt due on the Bonds, and ſome of thoſe given for Old Tenor are not yet payable.

As to the State of the Treaſury, it appears from the Treaſurer's Book, that the Tax for Sixteen Thouſand Pounds Lawful Money is not yet all paid; and that of the Half thereof ordered to be paid in Lawful Money, there hath been paid Seven Thouſand Nine Hundred and Thirty-one Pounds, Twelve Shillings and Eleven Pence Three Farthings; of which, the Treaſurer hath informed us, the Committee of War received Two Thouſand Seven Hundred and Ninety-five Pounds, Nineteen Shillings and Six Pence Half-penny, and he himſelf the Reſt. For the Intereſt of Part thereof, namely, of the Three Thouſand and Seventy-three Pounds, Seven Shillings and Five Pence Three Farthings, he hath accounted from the Thirtieth of *November* paſt, to the Time he paid it away, in taking up Bonds amounting to that Sum. He

hath

hath alſo informed us, that there is now in the Treaſury Eight Hundred and Ninety-ſix Pounds, Twelve Shillings Lawful Money, and One Thouſand Nine Hundred and Fifty-three Pounds and Three Pence *New-York* Currency, received of Mr. *Nathaniel Mumford*. For this *New-York* Currency the Treaſurer has not yet accounted; he hath told us, that there is in Gold, Three Hundred and Fifty-four Pounds, Ten Shillings; and in Silver milled Dollars, Four Hundred and Twenty-four Pounds, Eleven Shillings and Six Pence, amounting to One Thouſand and Sixty-one Dollars, and Seven Sixteenth Parts of a Dollar; and in *New-York* Paper Bills, One Thouſand One Hundred and Seventy-three Pounds, Eighteen Shillings and Nine Pence.

Witneſs our Hands.

Newport, Auguſt 12th, 1762.

Edward Scott,
George Hazard,
Walter Cranſton,
William Richardſon.

And the aforegoing Report being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted,

Whereas his Honor the Deputy Governor, *Edward Scott*, and *George Hazard*, Eſqrs. and Meſſrs. *Walter Cranſton*, and *William Richardſon*, preſented unto this Aſſembly a State of the Account of *Joſeph Clarke*, Eſq; General Treaſurer, and their Report thereon, as follows, *to wit:*

Dr. ---- Joſeph Clarke, *Eſq; General Treaſurer, with the Colony of* Rhode-Iſland.

	Lawful Money.	Old Tenor.
To Balance received in Caſh of the Executors of the late Treaſurer, *Thomas Richardſon*, Eſq; as appears per Settlement, *June* 4th, 1761.		£.7786 0 13 4
To Lawful Money outſtanding, Part of the Rate for £.15547 Lawful Money, as per Settlement *June* the 4th 1761, with the Executors.	£.1950 8 7½	
To Money outſtanding of a Rate of £.110000		68 6 11
To Money, Judgments of Court, Bonds, &c. in the Hands of *Benjamin Peckham, Thomas Aldrich, Nicholas* and *John Brown*, and *Thomas Throop*, per Settlement, *June* 4th, 1761.		12836 17 9
To ſundry Bonds, &c. delivered by the late Treaſurer's Executors,		917 8 11
To 5 Bonds for the Year 1760, which the late Treaſurer charged to the Colony, and delivered to the preſent Treaſurer		97 17 1

To

To ſundry Non-Eſt Bonds delivered by ditto to ditto,				385	12	0
To 1 Years Intereſt of the 9th Bank, the Year 1760.				11851	17	0
To £.9000 Sterling drawn for in Bills of Exchange on the Agent, which, with the Addition of 5 per Cent. makes in Lawful Money	12600	0	0			
To the Rate of £.16000 Lawful Money, ordered to be made in *March*, 1761; One Half paid in Lawful Money, and the other Half in Old Tenor, at 18 & 3d for One.	8000	0	0	146666	13	4
To ſundry Colony Law Books ſold,				63	0	0
To Lawful Money, emitted *February* 26th, 1762,	5000	3	6			
To Caſh received of the Hon. *Stephen Hopkins*, Eſq; for Sugars,				10665	12	6
To Caſh received for Jurors Fines in the County of *Newport*,				59	12	0
1762. *Sept.* 7. To Caſh received of Capt. *William Read*, on Account of the Colony's Brigantine,				1761	6	8
To Lawful Money, ordered to be made *March* 12th, (the Bills dated *April* 10th, 1762.)	2000	0	0			
To ditto, *May* 8th, 1762,	2000	0	0			
To Lawful Money hired, from the Treaſurer's Book, Page 14,	2687	10	9			
To Caſh received for Intereſt of £.3073 7*s*. 5*d*. 3*q*. Part of the Rate for £.16000 Lawful Money.	55	6	1 3/4			
	£. 34293	9	0 1/4	£.193160	4	3 3/4

Creditor.

	Lawful Money.			Old Tenor.		
By Intereſt Bonds for the Year 1760, paid to the late Treaſurer,				£.281	16	8
By *June* Lawful Money delivered to the Committee, and burnt, as appears by a Report made to the General Aſſembly at *May* Seſſion, 1762; with the Intereſt of the Bills included.	£.4128	3	2			
By ditto *May* Money, as per the ſame Report	8032	10	7			
By Caſh for ſundry Diſburſements, taken from the Treaſurer's Alphabetical Book from *June* the 9th, 1761, to *Auguſt* 2nd, 1762.	870	12	1 1/2	34066	4	6

By Caſh paid for ſundry petty Charges, from the Treaſurer's Book, Page 1.				124	2	0
By Caſh paid ſundry Orders for Wages of the Lieutenant, Gunner, and Soldiers at Fort *George*, as per Treaſurer's Book, Pages 3 & 4.				3691	2	11
By Caſh paid ſundry Perſons, by Order of the Committee of War, as per Treaſurer's Book, Page 7.	2958	8	6	9023	12	10
By Caſh paid the Committee of War, *viz.*						
Thomas Cranſton,	2304	12	7			
John Bours,	1790	15	8	19306	19	7
Eliſha Brown,	1226	5	5			
Gideon Comſtock,	2000	0	0			
Thomas Caſey,	2490	0	0	5000	0	0
Nicholas Gardner,	1672	13	6			
Robert Potter,	2125	0	0			
Shearjaſhub Bourn,	1150	0	0			
By Caſh paid *Henry Ward*, Secretary,	-	-		1363	2	6
By Caſh paid ſundry Bonds, as per Treaſurer's Book, Page 5.	3073	7	5¾			
By Caſh paid for *Providence* Court Houſe, Page 19.				6340	17	10
By 1 Year's Salary, from *May*, 1761, to *May*, 1762.				1000	0	0
	£. 33822	9	0¼	£. 80197	18	10
Balance due to the Colony,	471	0	0	112962	5	5¾
	£. 34293	9	0¼	£. 193160	4	3¾

We the Subſcribers being appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of the General Treaſurer, have carefully examined his Books, and Vouchers, and do report, That there is due to the Colony from *Joſeph Clarke*, Eſq; General Treaſurer, (as appears by the aforegoing ſtated Account, which we ſubmit to the General Aſſembly) the Sum of Four Hundred and Seventy-one Pounds Lawful Money, and One Hundred and Twelve Thouſand Nine Hundred and Sixty-two Pounds, Five Shillings and Five Pence Old Tenor. Witneſs our Hands.

Newport, *Auguſt* 3d, 1702.

John Gardner,
Edward Scott,
George Hazard,
Walter Cranſton,
William Richardſon.

N. B. Of the above Balance, Part is outſtanding of the £. 16000 Lawful Money Rate; Part in Non Eſt Bonds, Judgments of Courts unſatisfied, &c. in the Hands of the Agents.

And the aforegoing Report being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted.

Whereas

WHEREAS his Honor the Deputy Governor, *Edward Scott*, and *George Hazard*, Eſqrs. and Meſſrs. *Walter Cranſton*, and *William Richardſon*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly the following Account, by them charged againſt the Colony, *to wit :*

The Colony of Rhode-Iſland, *&c.* ---- *Dr.*

To our Time and Trouble in auditing the General Treaſurer's Accounts, examining into the State of the Treaſury, *&c. to wit :*

John Gardner,	7 Days, at £.6 per Day,	-	£. 42	0	0
Edward Scott,	9 Days, at £.6 per Day,	-	54	0	0
George Hazard,	8 Days, at £.6 per Day,	-	48	0	0
Walter Cranſton,	9 Days, at £.6 per Day,	-	54	0	0
William Richardſon,	5 Days, at £.6 per Day,	-	30	0	0
			£. 228	0	0

AND the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be allowed ; and that Forty-two Pounds be paid the Hon. *John Gardner*, Eſq; Fifty-four Pounds be paid *Edward Scott*, Eſq; Forty-eight Pounds be paid *George Hazard*, Eſq; Fifty-four Pounds be paid Mr. *Walter Cranſton*, and Thirty Pounds be paid Mr. *William Richardſon*, out of the General Treaſury.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Sheriff of the County of *Newport* be, and he is hereby directed, and fully empowered to take up all thoſe Perſons yet remaining in this Colony, who belonged to His Majeſty's Ship *Huſſar*, at the Time the ſaid Ship was caſt away upon the Iſland of *Hiſpaniola*, and were lately brought to *Newport* in a Flag of Truce, and ſend them, as faſt as taken up, to his Excellency General *Amherſt*, at *New-York* : And that his Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requeſted to iſſue a Proclamation, commanding all Officers, both civil and military, in this Colony, to uſe their utmoſt Endeavours to apprehend all the aforementioned Perſons, and ſend them to the Sheriff of the County of *Newport*, in order to be tranſported to *New-York*, as aforeſaid.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *George Jackſon*, and *John Jenckes*, preſented unto this Aſſembly a State of the Account of *Gideon Comſtock*, Eſq; One of the Committee of War, together with their Report thereon ; and alſo an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, as follows, *to wit* :

Colony of Rhode-Iſland *to* Gideon Comſtock ---- *Dr.*

To paying ſundry of the Officers and Soldiers of the *Rhode-Iſland* Regiment, at their Return from the Campaign in the Year 1761, and their fitting away in the Year 1762, *to wit :*

1761.

1761. Lawful Money.

Capt. Aſa Kimbal,	£.	60	7	6
Peter Jones,		13	0	0
James Ketchup,		13	12	6
Joſeph Spears,		13	5	4
Moſes Comſtock,		13	13	4
Sylvanus Greatrex,		13	12	0
Nathan Wood,		15	11	6
Lovel Fairbrother,		12	2	8
Ebenezer Jordan,		11	14	8
John Jordan,		11	14	8
Anthony Barton,		13	7	0
James Pearce,		13	16	0
Abraham Tourtellot,		13	13	4
Jonathan Fairman,		13	12	0
Joſeph Jenckes,		16	16	8
William Shippey,		17	5	0
Eliphalet Eddy,		13	6	8
Daniel Bartlet,		13	0	0
				£. 293 10 10
Philemon Kimbal,	£.	17	5	0
Abijah Dyre,		14	17	0
Comfort Titus,		13	12	0
Sylvanus Titus,		13	12	0
Mark Peters,		13	0	0
Jeremiah Robinſon,		13	14	8
Stukely Burlingham,		17	1	8
Silas Tucker,		17	5	0
Michael Inman,		13	14	8
James Aldrich,		15	6	0
William Ford,		13	13	8
Jonathan Sweet,		17	5	0
Jahleel Smith,		13	14	8
William Martin,		15	9	0
Thomas Herrenden,		13	13	8
David Alixſon,		13	12	0
Henry Martin,		13	0	0
Ezekiel Garnſey,		13	12	0
Ebenezer Howard,		15	4	6
John Place,		13	13	4
Peleg Weſtcot,		13	16	0
William Wright,		13	16	0
				319 17 10
Job Horton,	£.	13	12	0
Ephraim Horton,		13	12	0
Henry Child, *(on Account)*		0	19	4
Thomas Matteſon,		0	6	6
Edward Tripp,		0	16	0
Hannah Jenckes,		0	17	2

Aſa

Aſa Convers,		1	4	0
Ephraim Spalding,		2	5	9
Benjamin King,		2	6	6
Henry Eaſton,		0	5	7
Charles Harris,		0	4	7
Charles Little,		0	9	10
Benjamin Coman,		0	4	5
Fiſher Potter,		0	4	5
Edward Tripp, *and* John Hoyle,		0	10	7
Stephen Smith,		0	15	6
Lieut. Joſiah Brayman,		46	1	2
				84 15 4
Enſign Comfort Carpenter,	£.	9	19	8
1762. *Lieut.* Samuel Thornton,		17	15	6
Lieut. Aſa Kimball,		20	18	6
Lieut. William Herrenden,		15	13	6
Enſign Jonathan Milward,		15	4	0
Enſign Simeon Strivens,		11	18	0
Oliver Chiney,		9	16	0
John Woodward,		11	12	8
Job Aldrich,		11	7	0
James Young,		11	7	0
David Dayley,		11	5	9
William Taylor,		11	5	0
Peter Norton,		11	14	10
Joſhua Jones,		11	14	10
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James Ketchup,	£.	11	12	8
Jahleel Smith,		11	8	0
Samuel Irons,		11	12	6
Obadiah Herrenden,		11	7	0
Abraham Tourtellot,		11	11	5
Joſeph Bennett,		11	12	8
John Taylor,		11	12	6
William Blanchard,		11	4	6
Abner Tucker,		11	16	0
John Jones,		11	16	0
John Dolbear,		11	9	2
John Sweet,		11	10	6
Abner Blackman,		11	4	6
				149 17 5
William Irons,		-	-	- 11 10 4
Philip Anthony,		11	10	4
Nathaniel Goodſpeed,		11	9	0
Hugh Cole,		11	10	3
Thomas Baxter,		11	9	1
Hazael Smith,		11	15	0
Edward Weaver,		11	17	0
Palmer Tanner, *(Sergeant)*		12	3	9

Stephen Ballou,	11	9	2	
John Eddy	11	13	8	
Reſolved Phettiplace, *Sergeant*,	12	6	0	
Archibald Dunbar	11	3	6	
Samuel Ward,	9	0	0	
Ephraim Baker,	7	8	0	
				144 14 9
Joſhua Phillips,	£. 11	0	0	
Thomas Woſſemogg,	11	2	3	
John Vezey,	11	0	0	
Daniel Aldrich,	11	0	0	
Thomas Herrenden,	11	0	0	
Jabez Clark,	11	0	0	
Iſaac Robinſon,	10	4	0	
William Whitaker,	10	12	0	
Joſhua Shearman,	10	16	7	
Ezekiel Mitchell,	11	3	6	
Daniel Mitchell,	11	3	6	
James Mowrey,	11	15	0	
Samuel Plummer,	11	17	0	
William Shippey, *Sergeant*,	12	6	0	
				155 19 10
Abner Wade,	£. 11	16	0	
William Tourtellot,	11	16	0	
Joſeph Eddy,	11	16	0	
Joſeph Jencks,	11	16	0	
George Robinſon,	11	5	8	
Nehemiah Smith,	11	15	0	
Richard Smith,	11	18	0	
John Stevens,	11	16	0	
Thomas Thornton,	11	17	2	
Townſend Briggs,	11	13	8	
Sylveſter Stone, *and Maſter*,	11	16	0	
David Briggs,	11	16	0	
Jonathan Sweet, *Sergeant*,	12	3	1	
Seth Allen,	11	13	10	
Joſhua Drake,	11	14	0	
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Levi Goodſell,	11	12	6	
Thomas Smith,	11	12	8	
Stephen Smith,	11	12	6	
Jonathan Smith,	11	8	0	
John Phillips,	11	8	0	
Stephen Page,	11	5	8	
Joſeph Page,	11	5	8	
James Peirce,	11	4	6	
Benjamin Burgeſs, *and Maſter*,	11	4	6	
Henry Stevens,	11	5	8	
William Monis, *and Maſter*,	11	4	8	

Philemon Kimball, *Sergeant*,		12	11	0		
John Jackſon, *and Maſter*, -		11	13	8		
Peter Jones, *Billeting and Nurſing*,		15	4	8		
					164	13 8
Lemuel Peterſon, - -	£.	11	8	0		
Stephen Place, - -		5	0	0		
William Sherrington, - -		11	16	0		
William Rhodes' *Bill*, -		14	3	8		
Col. Samuel Angel's *ditto*, -		10	8	9		
Samuel Pierpoint's *ditto*, -		1	4	5		
Henry King's *ditto*, - -		14	18	7		
William Chace's *ditto*, -		7	8	5		
Samuel Aborn's 3 *ditto*, -		38	16	2		
Jacob Whitman's *ditto*, -		0	19	1		
Joſeph Bucklin's 3 *ditto*, -		20	1	9		
Jonathan Sweet *taking Deſerters*,		2	2	0		
Benoni Pearce, 1 *Bar. Molaſſes*,		3	17	1		
					142	3 11
	Old Tenor.					
53 lb. Veal, at 5s. put on board the Tranſports for the Uſe of the Troops	£.	13	5	0		
6 lb. Tea delivered to 6 Officers, to each 1 lb. at £. 12.		72	0	0		
1 Ream of good Paper delivered the Adjutant for the Uſe of the Troops		36	0	0		
Providing 40 Meals of Victuals for the Soldiers, their Billeting being expired, at 15s.		30	0	0		
2 Rum Barrels filled by Col. *Angel*,		8	0	0		
	£.	159	5	0		
At 18 and 3d for One, -		-		-	8	13 9
114 Knapſacks, at 50s. Old Tenor each, £. 285.	£.	15	10	11		
Aug. 20. Paid *Joſeph Lockwood* for ſundry Charges in Time of his Brother's having the Small-Pox, as allowed by the Town-Council of *Cranſton*, £. 579 18 6 Old Tenor.		31	12	8		
2 Bales of ſtriped Duffel Blankets, 15 in each Bale, at £. 19 each, £. 570 0 0						
12 Blankets, at £. 22 each, 264 0 0						
Old Tenor, - £. 838 0 0		45	9	10		
					92	13 5
					£. 1926	19 4
My Commiſſions on the Sum of £. 1926 15 4 at 1 and half per Cent.					28	18 0
					£. 1955	13 4
Balance due to the Colony, - -					80	1 3
					£. 2035	14 7

Creditor

Creditor.

By Caſh received from the Gen. Treaſurer, as per Certificate,	£.2000	0	0	
By Caſh deducted from the Soldiers Wages for Cloathing ſold by Col. *Whiting*,	15	2	2	
By Caſh received of *John Jackſon*, a Deſerter,	5	0	0	
By ditto of *Nathan Stone*, a Deſerter,	10	0	0	
By Remainder of Beef and Pork, and a few Pounds of Rice, returned by the Tranſports,	3	14	9	
Over paid to *William Wright*,	1	17	8	
				£.2035 15 7

We the Subſcribers being appointed by the General Aſſembly, to examine and audit the Accounts of *Gideon Comſtock*, Eſq; One of the Committee of War, do report, That having carefully examined the above and foregoing Charges, do find them juſt and right, with proper Vouchers for each Charge; his Commiſſions being charged at One and an Half per Cent. there remains due to the Colony Eighty Pounds, One Shilling and Three Pence Lawful Money. Witneſs our Hands, in *Providence*, the 21ſt of *Auguſt*, 1762.

George Jackſon,
John Jenckes.

Colony of Rhode-Iſland *to* John Jenckes, *and* George Jackſon ---- *Dr.*

1762 *Aug.* 21.	To auditing the foregoing Account, one Day and an Half each, at £.6 per Day,	£.18	0	0

All which being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the aforegoing Account of *Gideon Comſtock*, Eſq; be allowed: That the aforegoing Report be accepted: That the Account of the Committee be allowed; and that Eighteen Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *John Jenckes*, and *George Jackſon*, out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas Meſſrs. *Thomas Throop*, and *Daniel Bradford*, preſented unto this Aſſembly a State of the Account of *Shearjaſhub Bourn*, Eſq; together with their Report thereon; and alſo an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, as follows, *to wit:*

The Colony of Rhode-Iſland *to* Shearjaſhub Bourn --- *Dr.*

		Lawful Money.		
1761. *July.*	To Caſh paid *Reuben Hudſon*, by Order of Aſſembly,	£.13	12	6
To ditto paid Capt. *Dewolf*, for tranſporting the Troops to *Albany*,		17	19	0

To

To ditto paid Capt. *Peck*, for his Expences at *New-York* for freſh Proviſions,	1	18	0
To ditto paid *Jeremiah Diman*, his Horſe-hire and Expences to *Albany*, his Son (a Soldier) being ſick there.	6	6	6½
To ditto paid the Doctor's Bill for *Lewis Rowland*, a Soldier,	1	10	7½
To ditto paid *William Healy* his Son's Half Month's Pay laſt Spring,	1	0	0
To ditto paid Doctor *Sterling*, for his Aſſiſtance at an Amputation of a Soldier's Leg,	1	13	0
To ditto paid Capt. *Peck*, Doctor's Bill,	0	10	0
To ditto paid ditto, and Company's Wages and Billeting, as per Muſter Roll, (the Commiſſary's Account, and Caſh advanced by Col. *Green*, being firſt deducted.)	464	11	8
To ditto paid Part of Col. *Whiting*'s, namely, *Iſrael Peck*, Lieutenant; *Nathaniel Greenwood*, Sergeant; *Abial Knap*, *Ephraim Pearce*, *Samuel Freeman*, *Joſeph Healy*, and *John Healy*, Privates.	123	19	10
1762. *April*. To ditto paid the Bounty of 64 Men, each £.5	320	0	0
To ditto paid Major *Peck* and Company 1 Month's Pay, as per Muſter Roll,	149	6	6
To ditto paid the Officers for inliſting ditto, (one being diſmiſſed)	19	10	0
To ditto paid 762 Weeks Billeting, as per Muſter Roll, at 8*s*.	304	16	0
To ditto paid Doctor *Bradford*'s Bill for Attendance, *&c*. upon ſick Soldiers,	1	10	0
To ditto delivered Major *Peck*, to buy Duck for his Tent,	3	0	0
To ditto paid ditto for 12 Wooden Bowls and Diſhes, at 2*s*.	1	4	0
To 64 Knapſacks, - - - - at 3*s*. 6*d*.	11	18	0
To 66 Blankets, - - - - at 22*s*.	73	0	0
To Caſh paid the Officers for getting the Men ſworn, at 5*d*.	1	12	0
To ditto paid Major *Peck* the Doctor's Bill for *Dennis*, a Soldier,	1	10	0
To 3 Barrels of Pork for the Tranſports, at £.6	18	0	0
To 3 ditto of Beef for ditto - - at 82*s*.	12	6	0
To Caſh paid Maj. *Peck* for 5 Buſhels of Potatoes, for ditto at 4*s*.	1	0	0
To 2 Buſhels of Beans for ditto, - - at 8*s*.	0	16	0
To 1 and Half lb. Tea, - - - at 15*s*. 4*d*.	1	3	0
To 75 lb. Sugar, at 8*d*. 40 lb. Coffee, at 17*d*. 70 lb. Rice, at 4*d*. 6 lb. Candles, at 13*d*. for ditto.	6	17	6
To Caſh paid *Joſiah Finney*, and *John Gladding*, their Bills for Wharfage, Storage, Freight, *&c*.	2	6	0
To 5 Yards of Ozenbrigs, for Bags, for ditto, at 2*s*.	0	10	0
To Caſh paid for Walnut Wood cut up for the Tranſports,	1	0	0
To ditto paid Major *Peck*'s Bill for Proviſions, at *New-York*,	1	5	0
To ditto paid and advanced for Major *Peck*'s Company, for the Support of their Families, (excluſive of their Month's Pay and Billeting) as per Book-Accounts, Orders and Receipts.	110	14	0½
To my Commiſſions on £.1676 5 11½ at 1½ per Cent.	25	2	7½
	£.1701	7	10

Creditor

Creditor.

By Caſh received of the Gen. Treaſurer, as per Certificate,	£.	1150	0 0
Balance due to *Shearjaſhub Bourn*, - -		551	7 10
	£.	1701	7 10

Errors excepted.

Per *Shearjaſhub Bourn.*

Briſtol, Auguſt 23d, 1762.

We the Subſcribers (Two of the Committee appointed by the Hon. General Aſſembly to audit and ſettle the Accounts of *Shearjaſhub Bourn*, One of the Committee of War) do find the above to be a true State of his Accompt; and that the Balance of Five Hundred and Fifty-one Pounds, Seven Shillings and Ten Pence Lawful Money, is juſt and right.

Thomas Throop.
Daniel Bradford.

The Colony Dr. to the above Committee.

To our Time and Trouble in performing the above Service, 12*s.* Lawful Money each,	£.	1	4 0

All which being conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be accepted: That the Balance of the above Account (after deducting the Sum of £. 110 14*s. od. 2q.* charged therein for Caſh, *&c.* advanced for Major *Peck*'s Company, and the Sum of £. 1 13*s.* 1*d.* 3*q.* being Commiſſions upon the ſaid Sum) being Four Hundred and Thirty-nine Pounds and Seven Pence Three Farthings Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Shearjaſhub Bourn*, Eſq; out of the General Treaſury: And that the foregoing Account of the Committee be allowed; and that One Pound Four Shillings Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Thomas Throop*, and *Daniel Bradford*, out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas Meſſrs. *Samuel Chace*, and *George Jackſon*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for auditing the Accounts of *Daniel Jenckes*, and *Abram Smith*, Eſqrs. late Members of the Committee of War. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be allowed; and that Twenty-four Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Samuel Chace*, and *George Jackſon*, out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas Mr. *John Clarke* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time, Horſe-hire, and Expences in going Expreſs from *Newport* to *Eaſt-Greenwich*, to deliver a Letter to his Honor the Governor, during this preſent Seſſion

of

of Aſſembly. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be allowed; and that Thirty-four Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *John Clarke* out of the General Treaſury.

AN ACT empowering the General Treaſurer to diſpoſe of Eight Thouſand Pounds Sterling, being Part of the Money granted by the Crown to the Colonies.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed, and fully empowered to ſell and diſpoſe of Two Thouſand Six Hundred and Fifteen Pounds, Fourteen Shillings and Two Pence Sterling, (being Part of the Money granted to the Colonies, for reimburſing them the Charges which aroſe on raiſing Forces for the Expedition in the Year 1760) by drawing Bills of Exchange on *Joſeph Sherwood*, Eſq; the Agent for this Colony in *Great-Britain*, payable at at Sixty Days Sight, in Favour of any Perſons who ſhall purchaſe the ſame, by bringing into the General Treaſury, by the Eighth Day of *October* next, ſuch Lawful Money Bills of this Colony as were emitted in the Month of *May*, A. D. 1758.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That if a ſufficient Sum of ſaid *May* Lawful Money be not brought into the Treaſury by the ſaid Eighth Day of *October* next, to purchaſe the whole of ſaid Two Thouſand Six Hundred and Fifteen Pounds, Fourteen Shillings and Two Pence Sterling, the General Treaſurer is hereby directed to ſell the Remainder of the ſaid Sum for Silver and Gold, and draw Bills therefor in the ſame Manner as for ſaid *May* Lawful Money, And the Silver and Gold by this Means placed in the General Treaſury, ſhall be appropriated to the redeeming of the Remainder of the ſaid *May* Lawful Money Bills; which ſhall carry Intereſt 'till the ſaid Eighth Day of *October* next, and no longer. And that the Perſons purchaſing the ſaid Bills, be allowed Intereſt upon the ſaid *May* Lawful Money to the Time they ſhall purchaſe the ſaid Bills, and no longer; *that is to ſay*, Provided they purchaſe before the ſaid Eighth Day of *October*.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the General Treaſurer ſhall alſo ſell and diſpoſe of the Sum of Five Thouſand Three Hundred and Eighty-four Pounds, Five Shillings and Ten Pence, being alſo Part of the aforeſaid Grant of His Majeſty; and draw Bills for the ſame, payable at Sixty Days Sight, in Favour of ſuch Perſons as ſhall bring into the General Treaſury, by the Twenty-third Day of *October* next, Lawful Money Bills of public Credit emitted by this Colony in *December*, A. D. 1758, as far as ſaid Sterling Money ſhall amount to.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That if a ſufficient Sum of ſaid *December* Lawful Money Bills of Credit ſhall not be brought into the Treaſury by the ſaid Twenty-third Day of *October* next, to purchaſe the whole of the ſaid laſt mentioned Sum of Sterling Money,

Money, the General Treaſurer is hereby directed to ſell the Remainder of ſaid Sum for Silver and Gold, and draw Bills for the ſame in the ſame Manner as for the ſaid *December* Lawful Money. And the Silver and Gold ſo received into the General Treaſury, ſhall be appropriated to the redeeming the ſaid *December* Lawful Money as far as the ſame will go.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to diſpoſe of the ſaid Sterling Money at the following Rate of Exchange, *to wit:* For every Bill of Exchange he ſhall draw for One Hundred Pounds Sterling, he ſhall receive One Hundred and Five Pounds Sterling, and in the ſame Proportion for a greater or leſs Sum; reckoning a *Spaniſh* Silver milled Dollar, as alſo Six Shillings of the ſaid Lawful Money Bills of Credit, to be equal to Four Shillings and Six Pence Sterling.

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to draw no Bill for a leſs Sum than Twenty Pounds Sterling.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Form of the Bills of Exchange to be drawn as aforeſaid, be as followeth, *to wit:*

Excha. for £. Sterling. *Newport, Rhode-Iſland,* 1762.

In Purſuance of an Act of the General Aſſembly of the Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, at Sixty Days Sight of this my Firſt per Exchange, (Second, Third, and Fourth, of the ſame Tenor and Date, not paid) pay to or Order, the Sum of Sterling, out of the Money in your Hands, granted by the Crown to the Colonies in *North-America*, to reimburſe them the Charges of raiſing Troops for the Expedition againſt His Majeſty's Enemies in the Year 1760.--- But if ſaid Money ſhall not be in your Hands by the Time this Bill becomes due, then to pay ſaid Sum when ſaid Money ſhall come into your Hands, with Intereſt at the Rate of Five per Cent. per Annum from the End of the abovementioned Sixty Days, to the Time this Bill ſhall be paid; which Intereſt ſhall be full Satisfaction for all Damages which ſhall ariſe on this Bill's being proteſted; which Proteſt ſhall be made as ſoon as poſſible after Six Months from and after the Time this Bill ſhall become due, with or without further Advice from

Your aſſured Friend,

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That a Copy of this Act be inſerted in the *Newport Mercury* Three Weeks ſucceſſively.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That his Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requeſted and empowered to give out beating Orders to ſuch Perſons as he ſhall think proper, to inliſt as many good and effective Men as they can, as Recruits for the Regular Regiments, agreeable to the Requeſt of his Excellency General *Amherſt*: That ſuch Perſons who ſhall be appointed to inliſt ſaid Men as aforeſaid, ſhall apply to either of their Honors the Governor or Deputy Governor, or to either of the Members of the Committee of War, who reſide in *Newport*, for Governor

Money to pay the Bounty and Billeting of ſuch Perſons as ſhall be inliſted as aforeſaid: And that their Honors the Governor and Deputy Governor, and the Members of the Committee of War who reſide in *Newport*, or either of them, be, and they are hereby empowered to draw out of the Lawful Money emitted in the Year 1760, now in the General Treaſury, ſuch Sums as ſhall be ſufficient for the Purpoſe aforeſaid.

And *it is further Voted and Reſolved*, That no Bounty nor Billeting ſhall be paid to any Perſon who ſhall be inliſted as aforeſaid, until he paſs Muſter, and be approved of by the Officer appointed by his Excellency General *Amherſt* to examine and approve of ſuch as ſhall be inliſted for the aforeſaid Service.

And *it is further Voted and Reſolved*, That his Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requeſted to iſſue a Proclamation agreeable to this Act.

Whereas his Exceilency General *Amherſt*, by his Letter of the Fourth of this Inſtant *Auguſt*, hath requeſted, That a Company, conſiſting of Sixty-four Men, and Two Officers, now in the Service of this Colony, may be retained therein during the Winter.

Be *it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted*, That a Company of Sixty-four Men, and Two Officers, of the Regiment now in the Service of this Colony at Fort *Stanwix*, be retained there until the Firſt Day of *July* next.

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That every Soldier who ſhall inliſt into ſaid Company, ſhall be intituled to the ſame Wages as is now allowed him, and ſhall alſo receive, as a Gratuity, over and above his Wages, the Sum of Ten Dollars, One Half whereof to be paid him in the Colony's Cloathing, now in the Camp, and the other Half in Caſh.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That *George Cornell* be, and he is hereby appointed to command the ſaid Company; and alſo directed, and fully empowered to inliſt the ſame, And that Col. *Samuel Roſe* appoint the other Officer to the ſaid Company out of the Firſt or Second Lieutenants or Enſigns in the Regiment, giving the Preference to the Officer of the higheſt Rank.

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the commanding Officer of the ſaid Company ſhall be entitled to the ſame Wages as are now allowed to a Captain in the Service of this Colony, and the other Officer to the ſame Wages as are now allowed to a Firſt Lieutenant.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the remaining Part of the Regiment be tranſported by Water from *Albany*: And that the Committee of War procure proper Veſſels for that Purpoſe in due Seaſon: And that if any Perſon, belonging to the Regiment, ſhall come Home by Land, it ſhall be at his own Expence.

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the Committee of War ſend a Copy of this Act to Col. *Roſe*, at the Camp.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Committee who were appointed to ſettle Capt. *William Read*'s Accounts with the Colony, be, and they are hereby continued for that Purpoſe; and that they make Report to this Aſſembly as ſoon as may be.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Committee of War be, and they are hereby continued until the next Seſſion, with as full Power and Authority as they have at any Time had ſince their Appointment.

WHEREAS *John Shearman*, a Priſoner in His Majeſty's Gaol, in the County of *Newport*, prayed this Aſſembly to give Orders that the Irons may be taken off his Hands, and alſo off his Legs.

AND the ſaid Petition being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is granted.

WHEREAS *Thomas Spencer* exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Six Days Attendance upon the Aſſembly during the preſent Seſſion: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Twenty-one Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Thomas Spencer* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *William Sweet* exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Six Days Attendance upon this Aſſembly during the preſent Seſſion: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Twenty-one Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *William Sweet* out the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *Thomas Briggs* exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Six Days Attendance upon this Aſſembly during the preſent Seſſion: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Twenty-one Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Thomas Briggs* out of the General Treaſury.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred to the next Seſſion. That the Secretary publiſh by Beat of Drum, in the Town of *Newport*, the Acts and Orders now made and paſſed, within Ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, and within Thirty ſend Copies of the ſame to each Town in the Colony. And that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned unto the Third Tueſday in *September* next; then to meet in the Town of *Newport*.

GOD Save the KING.

PUBLISHED according to Order, on Monday the Sixth Day of *September*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-two, by

HENRY WARD, Secr'y.

A true Copy duly examined.

WITNESS,

Henry Ward Secry

September, 1762.

At the GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of RHODE-ISLAND, and PROVIDENCE Plantations, in NEW-ENGLAND, in AMERICA; begun and holden by Adjournment, at NEWPORT, within and for the ſaid Colony, on Tueſday the Twenty-firſt Day of *September*, in the Year of our Lord One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-two, and Second of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty GEORGE the Third, by the Grace of GOD KING of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Hon. SAMUEL WARD, Eſq; Governor.

The Hon. JOHN GARDNER, Eſq; Deputy Governor.

JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq;	Aſſiſtants.	ROBERT LAWTON, Eſq;	Aſſiſtants.
NICHOLAS EASTON, Eſq;		NATHANIEL SEARLE, Eſq;	
NICHOLAS TILLINGHAST, Eſq;		JOSEPH HARRIS, Eſq;	
DARIUS SESSIONS, Eſq;		CALEB ALLEN, Eſq;	

The SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES from the ſeveral TOWNS.

The Hon. DANIEL AYRAULT, jun. Eſq; Speaker.

NEWPORT;	PROVIDENCE;
Mr. *John Wanton*, (Son of *Gideon*)	*Daniel Jenckes*, Eſq;
George Hazard, Eſq;	Mr. *Joſeph Naſh*.
John Jepſon, Eſq;	Mr. *George Jackſon*.
The Speaker,	
Capt. *William Read*.	

PORTSMOUTH;

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John Shearman, jun. Eſq;
David Anthony, Eſq;
Robert Burrington, jun. Eſq;
WARWICK ;
Othniel Gorton, Eſq;
Col. *James Arnold*,
Capt. *Holdon Rice*.
WESTERLY ;
Capt. *George Stillman*.
NEW-SHOREHAM ;
Mr. *Edmond Sheffield*.
NORTH-KINGSTOWN ;
Mr. *Ezekiel Gardner*,
Mr. *Samuel Boone*, jun.
SOUTH-KINGSTOWN ;
Mr. *William Potter*,
Mr. *Thomas Potter*, jun.
EAST-GREENWICH ;
Col. *James Wightman*,
Capt. *Benjaman Greene*.
JAMESTOWN ;
Mr. *George Franklin*,
SMITHFIELD ;
Thomas Arnold, Eſq;
Mr. *Jonathan Arnold*, jun.
SCITUATE ;
Job Ranaal, Eſq;
Jeremiah Angel, Eſq;
GLOUCESTER ;
Richard Steere, Eſq;
Capt. *Joſeph Winſor*.
CHARLESTOWN :
Robert Potter, Eſq;
Capt. *John Champlin*.
WEST-GREENWICH ;
Benjamin Tillinghaſt, Eſq;
Capt. *Charles Carr*.
COVENTRY ;
Caleb Greene, Eſq;
Capt. *Joab Stafford*.
EXETER ;
Mr. *John Chapman*.
MIDDLETOWN ;
Mr. *James Barker*,
Mr. *Jonathan Eaſton*.
BRISTOL ;
Mr. *William Bradford*,
Capt. *Daniel Bradford*.
TIVERTON ;
Thomas Anthony, Eſq;
Mr. *Job Durfee*.
LITTLE-COMPTON ;
William Hall, Eſq;
Oliver Hilyard, Eſq;
WARREN ;
Mr. *Ebenezer Cole*.
CUMBERLAND ;
None.
RICHMOND ;
Joſeph Clarke, Eſq;
Thomas Kinyon, Eſq;
CRANSTON ;
John Burton, Eſq;
HOPKINTON ;
Major *Joſhua Clarke*.
JOHNSTON ;
Thomas Owen, Eſq;
Lieut. Col. *Joſiah Thornton*.

JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That for the future every ſuch Member of the General Aſſembly, who ſhall not attend upon the Firſt Day of the Seſſion, ſhall forfeit and pay, as a Fine, for the Uſe of the Houſe to which he belongs, the Sum of Four Pounds for every Day's Non-Attendance, unleſs a reaſonable Excuſe be made to the Satisfaction of the Houſe to which ſuch Member belongs.

AND *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the Secretary of this Colony for the Time being, be, and he is hereby directed,

rected, and empowered to iſſue out Executions, after the Riſing of the Aſſembly at the Seſſion held in *October*, for all the Fines that ſhall remain unpaid, which ariſe at the Seſſion held in *May*, and the Adjournments before *October*; and after the Riſing of the Aſſembly at the Seſſion held in *May*, for all the Fines that ſhall then remain unpaid, which ariſe at the Seſſion held in *October*, and the Adjournments before *May*, annually: And that the aforeſaid Fines be divided among the Members of the Houſe to which the Delinquents reſpectively belong.

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That a Certificate from the Clerk of the Lower Houſe to the Secretary, of the Abſence of any Members of the Lower Houſe, ſhall be ſufficient Authority for the Secretary to iſſue Execution againſt ſuch Members: And that the Secretary keep an Account of the Members of the Upper Houſe, and iſſue Execution, as aforeſaid, againſt the delinquent Members.

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That an Act paſſed at the Seſſion of the General Aſſembly, which was held in *February*, 1757, laying a Fine of Ten Pounds upon the Members of the Upper Houſe, for Non-Attendance, be, and the ſame is hereby repealed.

Whereas *Joſeph Wanton*, Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *Newport*, preſented unto this Aſſembly, an Account of the Charges which aroſe upon ſundry Seamen, lately belonging to his Majeſty's Ship the *Huſſar*, who were brought into this Colony, and ſent to *New-York*, together with his Report thereon, as follows, *to wit*:

Dr.---- The Colony of Rhode-Iſland *to ſundry Perſons, on Account of the Priſoners belonging to His Majeſty's Ship of War the* Huſſar, *loſt near* Cape-Francois, Robert Carket, *Eſq; Commander.*

		Old Tenor.
1762. *Auguſt* 16th to 29th.	To *John Batty*'s Account, - -	£. 116 0 0
	To *Thomas King*'s ditto, - -	24 0 0
	To *John M'Near*'s ditto, - -	32 0 0
	To *Thomas Chadwicke*'s 2 ditto, - -	37 10 0
	To *Ephraim Smith*'s ditto, - -	22 0 0
	To *James Hardy*'s ditto, - -	60 0 0
	To *Thomas Crowley*'s ditto, - -	28 0 0
	To Miſtake in Favour of *Hardy*, as appears by his Account, - - -	28 0 0
		£. 347 10 0

To *William Richards'* Account for the Paſſage of 25 Men to *New-York*, at 2 Dollars, - - - - } 50 Dollars.

To ditto for 6 Men to ditto, and Diet, at 3 Dol. 18

68 Dollars.

Newport, Sept. 17th, 1762.

Agreeable

AGREEABLE to the Order of the General Assembly to me directed, I have carefully examined into the sundry Charges, arising on Account of the Seamen belonging to his Majesty's Ship the *Hussar*, lately brought into this Port in a Flag of Truce, and do find that the several Charges made in the foregoing Account, are just and right.

Joseph G. Wanton, Sheriff.

AND the said Account being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the same be, and hereby is allowed; and that the Amount thereof, being Three Hundred and Forty-seven Pounds Ten Shillings Old Tenor, and Sixty-eight Dollars, be paid the said *Joseph Wanton* out of the General Treasury: And that the said Dollars be paid him out of the Money in the Treasury, lately brought from *New-York*.

AND *it is further Voted and Resolved*, That his Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requested to order an Account to be made of all the Charges that have arisen to the Colony by Means of the Seamen belonging to His Majestys' Ship *Hussar*, who were brought into this Colony, and transmit the same to his Excellency General *Amherst*, and request of him Payment thereof.

WHEREAS Messrs. *Jonathan Jeffers*, *Richard Willson*, and *Samuel Brown*, exhibited unto this Assembly an Account by them charged against the Colony, for sweeping and cleansing the Colony House in *Newport*, from *June*, 1761, to *June*, 1762, and providing Brooms for the same. And the said Account being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the same be, and hereby is allowed; and that Sixty-two Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the said *Jonathan Jeffers*, *Richard Willson*, and *Samuel Brown*, out of the General Treasury.

WHEREAS Mrs. *Ann Franklin* exhibited unto this Assembly an Account by her charged against the Colony, for printing the Acts of the General Assembly, passed at the Sessions held in *February*, *March*, *May* and *June* last, and for printing a Proclamation by Order of his Honor the Governor: And the said Account being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the same be, and hereby is allowed; and that Three Hundred and Six Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the said *Ann Franklin* out of the General Treasury.

WHEREAS *George Hazard*, Esq; and Mr. *Edward Thurston*, jun. presented unto this Assembly the following Report and Account, *to wit:*

To the Honorable General Assembly, to be held at Newport *on the Third Tuesday of this Instant* September.

IN Pursuance of a Vote of your Honors, at a Session held at *East-Greenwich*, in *August* last, We the Subscribers have received of *Joseph Clarke*, Esq; General Treasurer, One Thousand and Forty *Crown-Point* Notes, which we have burnt: Said Notes, by the Minutes and Entries in the Treasurer's Office, appeared to us to have been audited during the Life-time of *Thomas Richardson*, Esq; late General Treasurer of this Colony.

George Hazard,
Newport, *Sept.* 18, 1762. *Edward Thurston*, jun.

Colony

Colony - - - - - - - - *Dr.*

Sept. 18th. To our Time in performing the ſaid Service, £.6 0 0

George Hazard,
Edward Thurſton, jun.

And the Premiſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be accepted: That the Account of the Committee be allowed; and that Six Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *George Hazard*, and *Edward Thurſton*, jun. out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas Mr. *Richard Ward*, jun. exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Horſe-hire and Expences in waiting upon the ſeveral Members of the Committee of War in the Counties of *Providence*, *King's County*, *Briſtol*, and *Kent*, to procure the Muſter-Rolls for the Years 1761, and 1762; being ſent Expreſs by his Honor the Governor. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Forty Pounds, Nine Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Richard Ward* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas Mr. *Richard Beale* exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for making out 10 Billeting Rolls, with the proper Atteſtations, by Order of his Honor the Governor. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Fifty Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Richard Beale* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas Mr. *Robert Pate* exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Horſe-hire, Time and Expences in going to *Weſterly*, being ſent Expreſs, to carry a Letter to his Honor the Governor. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Forty Pounds thereof be allowed, and paid the ſaid *Robert Pate* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas Mr. *John Cary* exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time, Trouble, Horſe-hire, and Expences, in going to *Eaſt-Greenwich*, *Exeter*, *Little-Reſt*, *Newport*, *Briſtol*, *Warren*, and Home to *Providence*, to carry Letters from the Hon. *Stephen Hopkins*, Eſq; when Governor of this Colony, to the ſeveral Members of the Committee of War. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Fifty-four Pounds Twelve Shillings thereof be allowed, and paid the ſaid *John Cary* out of the General Treaſury.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed, and fully empowered to collect the Money due to the Colony for the Rent of the Cellar under the Colony Houſe, in *Newport*, as ſoon as may be. And that the General Treaſurer let out ſaid Cellar for the future.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Sheriff of the County of *Newport* be, and he is hereby directed to put the Fence round the Yard of the Colony Houſe, and alſo the Building in ſaid Yard, into good Repair, at the Expence of the Colony.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That for the future, all the Muſter Rolls and Billeting Rolls of the Forces raiſed, and that ſhall be raiſed in the Colony, ſhall be drawn, and ſuch Copies thereof as the Government ſhall have Occaſion of, ſhall be made by the Committee of War, or at their Expence, and be by them delivered to his Honor the Governor. And that as often as any Forces ſhall hereafter be raiſed in this Colony for His Majeſty's Service, the Committee of War ſhall have all the Muſter Rolls and Billeting Rolls of ſuch Forces drawn out fairly, and deliver the ſame to his Honor the Governor, at the Time of the marching, or Embarkation of ſaid Forces.

Whereas *Robert Lillibridge*, jun. exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for dieting and lodging 8 of the Mariners lately belonging to His Majeſty's Ship the *Huſſar*; which being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Account be, and hereby is allowed; and that Sixteen Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid to *Joſeph Wanton*, Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *Newport*, out of the General Treaſury, to diſcharge the ſame.

Whereas Mrs. *Ann Franklin* exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by her charged againſt the Colony, for printing Three Emiſſions of Lawful Money, *&c.* And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Four Hundred and Fifty-four Pounds, Fifteen Shillings and Ten Pence thereof be allowed, and paid the ſaid *Ann Franklin* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas Meſſrs. *Pardon Tillinghaſt*, and *Edward Thurſton*, jun. preſented unto this Aſſembly the following Report, and Account, *to wit:*

To the Honorable General Aſſembly, now ſitting in Newport.

"We the Subſcribers being appointed by your Honors, at the laſt Seſſion of Aſſembly, to receive of *John Grelea*, jun. Eſq; late Clerk of the Superior Court for the County of *Newport*, the Books of Record, Files of Papers, *&c.* belonging to ſaid Court, and deliver them to Mr. *Archibald Campbell*, the preſent Clerk of ſaid Court, giving and taking Receipts for the ſame; do report, That we have performed the ſaid Buſineſs, and herewith preſent the Receipt given us by Mr. *Campbell*.

Newport, *June* 14th, 1762. *Pardon Tillinghaſt*,
Edward Thurſton, jun."

Colony of Rhode-Iſland *to* Pardon Tillinghaſt *and* Edw. Thurſton *jun.*—*Dr.*

1762. *June* 4th. To our Attendance on ſaid Affair, £. 12 0 0

And

And the Premiſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be accepted: That the Account of the Committee be allowed; and that Twelve Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Pardon Tillinghaſt*, and *Edward Thurſton*, jun. out of the General Treaſury: And that the Receipts given by the preſent Clerks of the Superior Court, within and for the Counties of *Newport* and *Providence*, and by the preſent Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Providence*, for the Books of Record, Papers, *&c.* belonging to the ſaid Offices, be lodged in the Secretary's Office.

Whereas Mr. *George Lawton*, Keeper of His Majeſty's Gaol in the County of *Newport*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for the Priſon Fees of *John Shearman*, from the 13th of *Auguſt*, to the 17th of *September*. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Twenty-five Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *George Lawton* out of the General Treaſury.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That *Daniel Jenckes*, Eſq; and Mr. *George Jackſon*, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to ſettle the Account between the Colony and Mr. *Joſeph Sheldon*, reſpecting *Weyboſſet* Bridge; and that they indorſe the Balance, which ſhall appear due to him, on the Bond which he gave the Colony: And that the ſaid Committee take ſaid Bond out of the General Treaſury for that Purpoſe; and if upon the Settlement of the ſaid Account, a Balance ſhall be due upon the ſaid Bond, that they return the ſame into the General Treaſury.

Whereas Meſſrs. *Peter Harriſon*, *Silas Cooke*, *Walter Cranſton*, and *Iſrael Wilkinſon*, were appointed a Committee to inſpect the Lanthorn of the Light-Houſe, and to procure ſuch Alterations to be made thereof, as they ſhould think neceſſary, which not being yet performed, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Committee be, and they are hereby continued for that Purpoſe; and that they, or the major Part of them, perform the ſaid Buſineſs, and lay an Account of the Expence of the ſame before the General Aſſembly, which ſhall be paid out of the Light-Houſe Money.

Whereas Mr. *George Lawton*, Keeper of His Majeſty's Gaol in the County of *Newport*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for the Board and Priſon Fees of ſeveral Seamen, lately belonging to His Majeſty's Ship the *Huſſar*, who were taken up by the Sheriff of the County of *Newport*. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Eighty-one Pounds, Four Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *George Lawton* out of the General Treaſury.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Committee who were appointed to ſettle the Controverſy between the Colony and *Jahleel Brenton*, Eſq; and to examine the Mortgage Deeds and Bonds, then remaining in the Grand Committee's Office, do make out a Liſt of all the Mortgage Deeds which have not been paid and diſcharged, and lodge the ſame with the Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office, who is hereby directed to put the ſame in Suit, and to diſcharge all the other Mortgage Deeds in his Office, which relate to the Firſt, Second, Third, and Fourth Banks.

WHEREAS Mr. *Moſes Levy* exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Two Reams of Paper, for printing the Acts of the General Aſſemby. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Fifty-ſix Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Moſes Levy* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *Thomas Cranſton*, Eſq; hath engaged to pay a Balance due to the Colony from Col. *Henry Babcock*, of Fifty-one Pounds, Three Shillings and One Penny Sterling, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to requeſt Mr. *Cranſton* to indorſe the ſaid Sum, with the Intereſt from the Twenty-ninth Day of *March* laſt, at the ſame Rate the Colony allows him upon the Note he hath againſt the Colony for Lawful Money: And that thereupon the General Treaſurer ſhall give him a Diſcharge for the aforeſaid Balance.

WHEREAS *James Angel*, Eſq; and Mr. *William Wheaton*, preſented unto this Aſſembly the following Report, and Account, *to wit:*

"WE the Subſcribers being appointed by the Honorable General Aſſembly, at their Seſſion in *May*, A. D. 1762, to receive of *John Foſter*, Eſq; the late Clerk of the Superior Court in the County of *Providence*, the ſeveral Files of Papers, Books, &c. belonging to ſaid Office, and to deliver the ſame to *George Taylor*, jun. the preſent Clerk of ſaid Court, do report, That we have received of Mr. *Foſter*, and deliver to Mr. *Taylor*, One Book of Records, and the Papers belonging to Thirty different Terms, together with the Docket Books thereto belonging, with the Seal of ſaid Office, and have taken Mr. *Taylor*'s Receipt, which we herewith preſent. Witneſs our Hands, at *Providence*, the 3d Day of *June*, 1762. *James Angel*,
William Wheaton.

Colony to the above Committee ----- Dr.

To our Time in performing the ſaid Buſineſs, £. 0 6 0 Lawful Money.

AND the ſaid Report and Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the former be accepted: That the latter be allowed; and that Six Shillings Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *James Angel*, and *William Wheaton*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS

WHEREAS the Collector of the laſt Colony Rate for the Town of *Little-Compton*, after he had collected ſaid Town's Part of the ſaid Rate, appropriated the ſame to his own Uſe, ſo that the ſaid Town is obliged to pay the ſame, but cannot by any Means procure Lawful Money to pay the One Half thereof: *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Town of *Little-Compton* have the Liberty of paying into the General Treaſury Old Tenor, in Lieu of what remains unpaid of that Half which was to be paid in Lawful Money, with Intereſt thereon, at the Rate of Five per Cent. per Annum, from the Thirtieth Day of *November* laſt, until the ſame ſhall be paid into the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *James Angel*, Eſq; and Mr. *William Wheaton*, preſented unto this Aſſembly the following Report, and Account, *to wit*:

"WE the Subſcribers being appointed by the Honorable General Aſſembly, at their Seſſion in *May*, A. D. 1762, to receive of Mr. *Nicholas Brown*, the late Clerk of the Inferior Court in the County of *Providence*, the ſeveral Files of Papers, Books, Seal, *&c.* belonging to ſaid Office, and to deliver the ſame to *John Foſter*, Eſq; the preſent Clerk of ſaid Court, do report, That we have received of Mr. *Brown*, and delivered to Mr. *Foſter*, the Files of Papers belonging to Sixty-four different Terms, with the Docket-Books thereto belonging, together with Four Books of Record, and the Seal belonging to ſaid Office, and have taken Mr. *Foſter's* Receipt, which we herewith preſent. Witneſs our Hands at *Providence*, this 15th Day of *May*, A. D. 1762.

James Angell,
William Wheaton.

Colony to the above Committee ---- Dr.

To our Time in performing the ſaid Buſineſs, £.0 9 0 Lawful Money.

AND the ſaid Report and Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the former be accepted: That the latter be allowed; and that Nine Shillings Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *James Angell*, and *William Wheaton*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS the General Aſſembly, at the Seſſion held in *June* laſt, granted a Lottery to Capt. *Edward Wells*, and appointed Meſſrs. *Othniel Gorton*, *Nathan Babcock*, *George Sheffield*, and *Joſhua Clarke*, Directors thereof; *It is now Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Directors, or the major Part of them, be, and they are hereby empowered to carry on, and compleat ſaid Lottery as ſoon as conveniently may be.

WHEREAS Capt. *James Tew*, jun. exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Labour done upon the Colony Houſe in *Newport*, and for providing Materials for the ſame. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Fifty-one Pounds, Four Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *James Tew* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Thomas Crowley* exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Horſe-hire, Time and Expences, in *May* laſt, being ſent by Order of the General Aſſembly to notify *Francis Willett*, and *Nicholas Tillinghaſt*, Eſqrs. that they were choſen Aſſiſtants of this Colony. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Forty-five Pounds, Six Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Thomas Crowley* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Col. *Job Bennet* exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for providing Stuff for, and making a Pendant for Fort *George*. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Seventy-one Pounds, Sixteen Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Job Bennet* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *John Warkman* exhibited unto this Aſſemby an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for mending the Locks of the Colony Houſe in *Newport*, for ſundry Repairs for the Gaol, for putting Irons upon ſeveral Priſoners, and taking them off, *&c.* And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Seventy-two Pounds, Thirteen Shillings thereof, be allowed, and paid the ſaid *John Warkman* out of the General Treaſury.

BOTH Houſes being joined in a grand Committee, choſe the following Officers, *to wit:*

Joſhua Clarke, Eſq; 5th Juſtice of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, in and throughout the Colony, in the Room of *Jeoffry Watſon*, Eſq; who refuſed.

John Jepſon, *Eliſha Brown*, *Thomas Cranſton*, *John Bours*, *Robert Potter*, *Thomas Caſey*, *Gideon Comſtock*, *Thomas Potter*, jun. and *Shearjaſhub Bourn*, Eſqrs. the Committee of War.

Joſeph Arnold, (Son of *Philip*) Lieutenant of the Second Company of Militia, or Trained-Band, in the Town of *Warwick*, in the Room of *Thomas Sweet*, who refuſed.

George Simmons, Captain; *Stephen Brownel*, Lieutenant; and *Robert Taylor*, Enſign, of the Company of Militia, or Trained-Band, in the Town of *Little-Compton*; the Officers appointed for the ſaid Company having refuſed.

Jeremiah Lawton, Captain; *George Siſſon*, jun. Lieutenant; and *Thomas Hall*, Enſign, of the Firſt Company of Militia, or Trained-Band, in the Town of *Portſmouth*.

Joſeph Shearman, jun. a Juſtice of the Peace for the Town of *Portſmouth*, in the Room of *Benjamin Fiſh*, Eſq; who refuſed.

Gideon Almy, Cornet, and *John Hunt*, Quarter-Maſter, of the Second Troop of Horſe in the County of *Newport*.

Nathaniel Sheffield, *Joſeph Champlin*, and *John Gorton*, Juſtices of the Peace for the Town of *Charleſtown*, ; the Juſtices appointed in the ſaid Town having refuſed.

Robert

Robert Vaughan, jun. a Juſtice of the Peace for the Town of *Eaſt-Greenwich*, in the Room of *Samuel Warner*, Eſq; who refuſed.

Philip Matteſon, a Juſtice of the Peace for the Town of *Scituate*.

WHEREAS Mr. *Thomas Sheffield*, Clerk of the Artillery Company in the Towns of *Weſterly*, *Charleſtown*, and *Hopkinton*, did certify to the Upper Houſe of Aſſembly, that the ſaid Company, at their annual Election, did make Choice of the following Gentlemen to command the ſame, *to wit :*

Joſeph Stanton, jun. Captain.
Daniel Lewis, Firſt Lieutenant.
Joſeph Babcock, Second Lieutenant.
Jeſſe Champlin, Enſign.

Which Certificate being conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved by the Upper Houſe*, That the ſaid Choice be, and the ſame is hereby approved.

WHEREAS *John Bours*, Eſq; Clerk of the Artillery Company in the Town of *Newport*, certified to the Upper Houſe of Aſſembly, that the ſaid Company, at their annual Election, did make Choice of the following Gentlemen to command the ſame, *to wit :*

Daniel Ayrault, jun. Captain.
Metcalf Bowler, Firſt Lieutenant.
Nathaniel Mumford, Second Lieutenant.
Samuel Brenton, Enſign.

Which Certificate being conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved by the Upper Houſe*, That the ſaid Choice be, and the ſame hereby is approved.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office call upon all Perſons, upon whom he hath any Demands in Behalf of the Government ; and that he ſue to the next Court, all ſuch Perſons as refuſe, or neglect to pay what is due from them to the Colony.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That his Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requeſted to procure the beſt State of the Caſe he can, reſpecting the Money in the General Treaſury, that aroſe on a Quantity of Sugar, ſometime ſince condemned by the Court of Vice-Admiralty in *Providence*, which *John Temple*, Eſq; Surveyor-General, hath made a Demand of, and lay the ſame before this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion, in Order that what is juſt and right, in that Affair, may be done : And that in the mean Time, his Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requeſted to write to the Surveyor-General, and inform him what this Colony is about to do.

WHEREAS the General Aſſembly, at their Seſſion held in *February*, 1761, made and paſſed an Act, appointing Capt. *Benjamin Greene* to procure the Court-Houſe in the County of *Kent* to be painted, and Window-Shutters to be made for the lower Part of the ſaid Houſe, and empowered him to draw out of the General Treaſury the Sum of Eight Hundred Pounds Old Tenor for the ſaid Purpoſes ; and it appears to this

this Aſſembly, that there is not Money in the ſaid *Greene*'s Hands ſufficient to compleat the Work, *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid *Benjamin Greene*, inſtead of making Shutters for the Windows, ſhall make Uſe of the Money that ſhall remain in his Hands, after painting the ſaid Court-Houſe, in ſecuring the Under-pinning thereof, and in paving around it, where he ſhall think neceſſary to ſecure the ſame.

AN ACT in Addition to, and Amendment of, the ſeveral Acts regulating the Manner of admitting Freemen, and electing Officers in this Colony.

WHEREAS the Power this Colony hath, by Charter, of electing the Magiſtrates, and other Officers thereof, is One of the nobleſt Privileges a People can enjoy; and a due, impartial, and equitable Election of all Officers, is of the greateſt Importance to the Well-being of this Colony; and all poſſible Precautions ought to be taken, that the colluſive Practices of ſuch as are not duly qualified to vote, and other evil-minded Perſons, may be prevented. And whereas notwithſtanding the Laws now in Force, great Abuſes have been frequently committed in many Towns in this Colony, and Perſons not duly qualified have been admitted Freemen, and ſuffered to vote in the Election of Officers, in direct Violation of the Rights and Liberties of the Freemen in this Colony:

BE *it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted*, That from and after the Publication of this Act, no Perſon whatſoever ſhall be admitted to vote, or act as a Freeman in any Town-Meeting in this Colony, but ſuch only, who at the Time of ſuch their voting and acting, are really and truly poſſeſſed in their own proper Right of a Real Eſtate within this Colony, to the full Value of Forty Pounds Lawful Money, or which ſhall Rent for Forty Shillings Lawful Money per Annum, being an Eſtate in Fee Simple, Fee Tail, or an Eſtate in Reverſion, that qualifies no other Perſon to be a Freeman, or at leaſt an Eſtate for ſuch Perſon's own Life, or the eldeſt Son of ſuch a Freeholder. And that no Eſtate of a leſs Quality, ſhall entitle any Perſon to the Freedom of this Colony.

AND *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That if any Perſon hath been admitted Free of this Colony, or any Town thereof, in Right of his Wife's Dower, or by having a Real Eſtate in Reverſion, that qualifies any other Perſon to vote, or by having a Houſe or Houſes, or any other Building or Buildings, ſtanding or being on Land which does not really and truly belong to the Perſon or Perſons ſo admitted in Fee Simple, Fee Tail, or for Life, but belongs to ſome other Perſon or Perſons, or is only hired for a limited Term of Years; the Admiſſion of all ſuch Perſons to be Freemen, is hereby declared utterly null and void, and ſuch Perſons are hereby declared incapable of voting for any Officer in this Colony, notwithſtanding ſuch their Admiſſion.

AND

AND *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid,* That no Perſon ſhall ſtand propounded to be made Free, but ſuch only, who at the Time of their being propounded, are really poſſeſſed of ſuch an Eſtate as is above deſcribed, the Deed or other Conveyance of which ſhall be recorded, and alſo produced in open Town-Meeting, at the Time of their being propounded; and that the Town-Clerk ſhall make Record of all Perſons who ſhall be propounded: And that all ſuch Perſons as now ſtand upon any Town-Clerk's Book, as propounded, who are not qualified as aforeſaid, and have not produced ſuch Deed or Conveyance, ſhall have no Notice taken of ſuch propounding, and the ſame ſhall be void.

AND *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid,* That if any Perſon ſhall hereafter preſume to make and execute any Deed, or other Conveyance of an Eſtate, with a diſhoneſt Intent, only to qualify the Perſon, to whom ſuch Deed or other Inſtrument is made, to be a Voter, and ſhall take any Promiſe or Aſſurance for reconveying the ſaid Eſtate to him again, and ſhall be thereof convicted, before the Judges of His Majeſty's Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize and General Gaol Delivery, within and for this Colony, who are hereby empowered, upon Indictment, Information, or Complaint thereof, to be exhibited to the ſaid Court, to enquire into the ſame, and upon Conviction thereof, to declare, as well the Perſon who made ſuch fraudulent Deed or Conveyance, as he who received the ſame, to be utterly incapable for ever thereafter of ſuſtaining any Office, and of voting for any Officer in this Colony. And that if any Perſon ſhall be proſecuted for making or receiving ſuch fraudulent Deed or Conveyance as aforeſaid, the Perſon who gave, and the Perſon who received the ſame, ſhall purge themſelves by Oath, or ſolemn Affirmation, of the ſaid Crime; and if he or they ſhall refuſe ſo to do, he or they ſhall be adjudged guilty, and Sentence ſhall be given againſt them accordingly. And that the following ſhall be the Form of the Oath, or Affirmation, to be adminiſtred to the Perſon who received ſuch ſuſpected fraudulent Deed, *to wit:*

YOU A. B. do ſolemnly ſwear, (affirm) That you are really and truly poſſeſſed, in your own Right, of the Eſtate of which a Conveyance is made to you by C. D. according to the Tenor of the ſaid Conveyance, and that you now hold and improve the ſame to your own Uſe, Benefit, and Behoof: And that you have not given any Promiſe or Aſſurance, of any Nature or Kind whatſoever, that you will reconvey the ſaid Eſtate to the ſaid C. D. or any other Perſons in his Behalf. And this Declaration you make without any Evaſion, Equivocation, or mental Reſervation whatſoever.

AND that the following ſhall be the Form of the Oath, or Affirmation, to be adminiſtred to the Perſon, who made and executed ſuch ſuſpected fraudulent Deed, *to wit:*

YOU A B. do ſolemnly ſwear, (affirm) That the Conveyance by you made to C. D. is a juſt, true, and honeſt Conveyance, and that you did intend thereby to inveſt in the ſaid C. D. ſuch an Eſtate as is expreſſed in the ſaid Inſtrument, for the Conſideration therein mentioned: And that you have not received any Promiſe or Aſſurance, of any Nature or Kind whatſoever, for the Reconveyance of the ſaid Eſtate to yourſelf, or any other Perſon

for your Uſe or Benefit: And this Declaration you make, without any Evaſion, Equivocation, or mental Reſervation whatſoever.

And whereas there is great Reaſon to ſuſpect, that ſeveral Perſons have heretofore been qualified in a fraudulent Manner, and now do act as Freemen: *Be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That for the future, if any Perſon ſhall attempt to vote for any Officer, in any Town-Meeting in this Colony, who ſhall be ſuſpected of being qualified in a fraudulent Manner, it ſhall and may be lawful for any Perſon to inform the Moderator, or other Perſon who preſides at ſuch Meeting, thereof, and to inſiſt that his Vote be not received, except the Perſon ſuſpected ſhall firſt purge himſelf by Oath, or ſolemn Affirmation, of the ſaid Suſpicion. And that the ſaid Oath, or Affirmation, be adminiſtred according to the firſt Form of the Oath, or Affirmation, in this Act. And if any Perſon, ſo ſuſpected, and challenged, ſhall refuſe to take the ſaid Oath, or Affirmation, his Vote ſhall not be received.

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That no Perſon ſhall be admitted to vote for a Deputy, or other Town Officer, unleſs he poſſeſs an Eſtate in the Town, where he lives, ſufficient to qualify him, agreeable to this Act, or the eldeſt Son of ſuch a Freeholder. And that no Perſon, whoſe Eſtate lies out of the Town where he lives, ſhall be admitted to vote for any General Officer, unleſs he, at the Time of his voting, produce an authentic Certificate, bearing Date within Ten Days of the Town-Meeting, at which he votes, under the Hand of the Town-Clerk, where his Freehold lies, that he is duly qualified, agreeable to Law, or that he is the eldeſt Son of ſuch a Freeholder.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That any Perſon, living in one Town, who hath an Eſtate in another Town, ſufficient to qualify him to be a Freemen, ſhall be admitted free of the Colony, in the Town where he lives, upon his producing a Certificate of his Qualification, from the Town-Clerk of the Town where his Eſtate lies, being firſt propounded in the Town where he lives.

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That when any Perſon, who is a Freeman by Virtue of his being the eldeſt Son of a Freeholder, ſhall die, and leave Iſſue, the Second Son ſhall not be made Free by Reaſon of his Father's Freehold. And that no Perſon whatſoever, in this Colony, under Guardians, lawfully appointed and qualified, ſhall be allowed to vote for any Officer.

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That any Perſon, who is challenged in a Town-Meeting, and is admitted to vote, upon his making Oath agreeable to Law, ſhall not be allowed to vote afterwards, unleſs he ſhall produce a proper Certificate of his being qualified according to Law, from the Perſon appointed to appraiſe his Real Eſtate.

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That if any Perſon ſhall put in a Proxy Vote for any General Officer, or Officers, or ſhall vote for any other Officer, in any Town in this Colony, not being duly qualified according to this Act, and the other Laws now in Force in this Colony; ſuch Perſon, ſo voting, or putting in his Proxy Vote, ſhall forfeit and pay, as a Fine, the Sum of Twenty Pounds Lawful Money.

Money. And the Moderator of the Meeting, or other Perſon, appointed to receive the Votes, who ſhall receive ſuch Vote after the Perſon, offering the ſame, hath been publicly challenged, ſhall forfeit and pay as a Fine the Sum of Twenty Pounds Lawful Money, for each and every Offence by him committed. And all ſuch Votes ſhall be thrown out unnumbered, at the General Election. And if any Perſon, really qualified to vote, ſhall put in more than One Proxy, or other Vote, ſuch Votes ſhall be thrown out, and ſuch Perſon ſhall forfeit and pay, as a Fine, the Sum of Twenty Pounds Lawful Money.

And for the better regulating the ſeveral Town-Meetings, to be held on the Third Wedneſday of *April*, annually, *Be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the Moderator of each Town-Meeting in this Colony, ſhall receive all the Proxes of the Freemen, legally qualified, and no other Perſon ſhall receive any Proxes on that Day. And that no Perſon ſhall vote for General Officers, until the Choice of Deputies is over, and then the Freemen ſhall, One by One, in their own proper Perſons, deliver their Proxes to the Moderator, who ſhall immediately cauſe the Town-Clerk to enter, and keep a fair Regiſter of the Names of all Perſons who ſhall vote for General Officers, but ſo as not to examine the Votes of the Freemen, and diſcover thereby for whom they voted. And that the Town-Clerk ſhall, before the ſealing up of the Votes, carefully compare them with the Liſt he hath taken, and return a true and exact Copy of the ſame to the next ſucceeding General Election, certifying alſo what Number of Proxes were put in for each of the Candidates for the Office of Governor. And that the ſaid original Liſt ſhall be lodged in the Town-Clerk's Office, and Copies thereof ſhall be granted to any Freeholder in this Government, who ſhall deſire the ſame, paying therefor, as for other Copies taken out of ſaid Office. And that the Town-Clerks ſhall examine the Records for any Freeholder, deſiring the ſame, and certify the Eſtate or Qualifications of any of the Perſons who voted, or put in their Proxes, being paid therefor by the Perſon deſiring the ſame, as for ſearching the Records, and granting Certificates upon any other Occaſion. And that if any Town-Clerk ſhall neglect, or refuſe to do his Duty herein, he ſhall forfeit and pay, as a Fine, the Sum of Twenty Pounds Lawful Money, and ſhall be rendered incapable for ever thereafter of ſuſtaining any Office in this Colony. And that all the aforementioned Fines may be recovered by any Action, in any Court of Record in this Colony; One Half whereof ſhall be to and for the Uſe of the Perſon or Perſons who ſhall inform and ſue for the ſame, and the other Half to and for the Uſe of the Colony.

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That any Perſon who ſhall break the Peace, during the holding of any future General Election on the Firſt Wedneſday in *May*, annually, in or near the Court-Houſe in *Newport*, ſhall forfeit and pay, as a Fine, the Sum of Thirty Pounds Lawful Money, to and for the Uſe of the Colony, to be recovered by the General Treaſurer, at any Court of Record in this Colony, and ſhall alſo ſuffer One Month's Impriſonment in His Majeſty's Gaol in *Newport*.

And

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That all the abovementioned Fines, and Forfeitures, may be recovered at the aforementioned Courts, by Bill, Plaint, or Information.

And whereas the Upper Houſe of Aſſembly, have ſometime heretofore claimed a negative Voice in the admitting Freemen, receiving, or rejecting diſputable Votes, and in carrying on the General Election; which Claim, if allowed, might entirely deſtroy the Conſtitution of this Government, as it manifeſtly tends to perpetuating the Upper Houſe, who are the Candidates, and at the ſame Time would be poſſeſſed of a Power to receive, or reject the Votes of the Freemen, as might beſt anſwer the Purpoſes of arbitrary Power: *Be it therefore further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the admitting of Freemen, ſcrutinizing the Votes, and the whole carrying on of the General Election, and the chooſing of all other Officers, choſen by the General Aſſembly, ſhall be tranſacted by the General Aſſembly, joined in a Grand Committee, and not in ſeparate Houſes.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That *Edward Scott*, Eſq; Mr. *Martin Howard*, and the Secretary, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to reviſe the Laws of this Colony; and that they, or the major Part of them, perform the ſaid Buſineſs as ſoon as may be, in Order to be put in Print.

Whereas Meſſrs. *Samuel Chace*, and *George Jackſon*, Two of the Committee appointed to audit the Accounts of *Abram Smith*, Eſq; late a Member of the Committee of War, preſented unto this Aſſembly a State of that Account, and their Report thereon, as follows, *to wit*:

Colony of Rhode-Iſland *to* Abram Smith ---- *Dr.*

1761.		Lawful Money.
April 27.	To Caſh paid *Benjamin Carpenter*, - -	£. 4 18 2
	To ditto paid *John Foſter*, - - -	1 0 2
	To ditto paid *Oliver Helme*, - - -	4 18 2
	To ditto paid *John Felcher*, - - -	2 4 0
29.	To ditto paid *Jonathan Spear*, - - -	32 19 10
May 1.	To ditto paid *Nathan Angel*, - - -	3 9 2
	To ditto paid *Comfort Carpenter*, - -	20 0 0
	To ditto paid *Abram Belnap*, - - -	1 11 7
2.	To ditto paid *Comfort Carpenter*, - -	7 4 3
	To ditto paid *Job Hawkins*, - - -	1 16 3
18.	To ditto paid *Gabriel Friend*, - - -	2 18 4
	To ditto paid *Archibald Dunbar*, - -	1 0 0
	To ditto paid *Mary Crawford*, - -	1 13 9
	To ditto paid *Jeremiah Hawkins*, - -	3 18 0
	To ditto paid *Peleg Abbey*, - -	2 0 0
	To ditto paid *Andrew Dexter*, - -	1 2 2
	To ditto paid *William Yates*, - -	1 0 0
	To ditto paid *Francis Johnſton*, - -	3 0 7
19.	To ditto paid *Aſahel Bolſter*, - - -	4 10 4

To

	To ditto paid *Aaron Comſtock*	4	10	4
	To ditto paid *Jonathan Spears,*	9	9	0
	To ditto paid *Edward Traſk,*	9	2	6
	To ditto paid *David Briggs,*	3	18	4
	To ditto paid *Nathan Jacobs,*	1	0	0
	To ditto paid *Abner Comſtock,*	5	1	10
	To ditto paid *Stephen Fenner,*	4	18	4
	To ditto paid *Andrew Dexter,*	3	8	0
	To ditto paid *Abial Croſsman,*	3	16	0
	To ditto paid *William Martin,*	4	18	4
	To ditto paid *Ephraim Horton,*	4	16	0
	To ditto paid *Job Horton,*	4	16	0
	To ditto paid *Comfort Carpenter,*	17	11	2
	To ditto paid *Obed Tocuſo,*	2	0	0
	To ditto paid *John Owen,*	1	0	0
	To ditto paid *Jeremiah Cradway,*	4	17	2
	To ditto paid *Simon Smith,*	3	18	4
	To ditto paid *Beloved Carpenter,*	4	18	4
	To ditto paid *Edmond Andrews,*	4	8	0
	To ditto paid *Benjamin Low,*	4	18	4
	To ditto paid *Joſeph Follett,*	5	3	9
22.	To ditto paid *Philip Aldrich,*	4	13	9
	To ditto paid *Joſeph Spear,*	4	10	3
	To ditto paid *James Angel,*	4	13	9
	To ditto paid *Timothy Bennett,*	5	0	3
	To ditto paid *Jonathan Spear,*	14	16	9
	To ditto paid *John Tower,*	5	4	10
	To ditto paid *Michael Philips,*	1	0	0
	To ditto paid *Abraham Hawkins,*	67	18	11
	To ditto paid *Ebenezer Howard,*	4	14	9
23.	To ditto paid *Uriah Hawks,*	4	14	9
	To ditto paid *Edmond Andrews,*	0	8	2
	To ditto paid *Simon Alverſon,*	4	18	4
	To ditto paid *Jonathan Spear,*	10	0	0
	To ditto paid *Benjamin Hunt,*	1	5	4
	To ditto paid *Stephen Rawſon,*	1	0	0
	To ditto paid *Jeſſe Tocoſo,*	2	0	0
25.	To ditto paid *Comfort Carpenter,*	5	6	0
	To ditto paid *Michael Inman,*	4	18	4
	To ditto paid *Abraham Hawkins,*	5	6	0
	To ditto paid *Jonathan Spear,*	16	11	4
	To ditto paid *Sylvanus Greatrix,*	4	16	0
	To ditto paid *William Carpenter,*	3	14	10
	To ditto paid *James Galloway,*	0	11	0
	To ditto paid *Jonathan Spear,*	6	13	6
	To ditto paid *Caleb Fuller,*	0	16	4
	To ſundry Stores delivered the Tranſports,	16	9	5
	To Caſh paid *Ellis Jenckes,*	2	2	1
	To ditto paid *Edward Scott,*	77	16	2

To ditto paid *Silas Downer*,	0	2	2
To ditto paid *Iſaiah Hawkins*,	1	0	0
To ditto paid *William Field*,	1	0	0
To ditto paid *Edmond Andrews*,	8	11	10
To ditto paid *Abraham Hawkins*,	22	15	0
To ditto paid *William Flint*,	9	5	4
To ditto paid *Joſeph Jackſon*,	11	10	8
To ditto paid *Cyprian Sterry*,	2	5	6
To ditto paid *Ephraim Bower*,	3	2	6
To ditto paid *Nehemiah Ward*,	19	12	1
To ditto paid *Jonathan Spear*,	11	2	0
To Caſh paid ſundry Perſons,	2	18	6
To ditto paid *Edmond Andrews*,	0	8	4
	£. 592	9	5
Over charged to *Edward Traſk*,	4	14	6
	587	14	11
My Commiſſions, at 1 and half per Cent,	8	16	3
	£. 596	11	2

Creditor.

By Caſh received of the General Treaſurer,	£. 600	0	0
Balance due to the Colony,	£. 3	8	10

Providence, February 22d, 1762.
Errors excepted.
per *Abram Smith.*

We the Subſcribers, Two of the Committee appointed by the General Aſſembly, to examine and audit the Accounts of Mr. *Abram Smith*, One of the Committee of War, do report, That having examined the above and foregoing Charges, do find them juſt and right, with proper Vouchers; and that the Balance of Three Pounds, Eight Shillings and Ten Pence Lawful Money, is due from ſaid *Smith* to the Colony.

Providence, February 22d, 1762. *Samuel Chace,*
George Jackſon.

And the Premiſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted; and that the Balance of the aforegoing Account, being Three Pounds, Eight Shillings and Ten Pence Lawful Money, be paid by the ſaid *Abram Smith* into the General Treaſury.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office be, and he is hereby directed to give Bond, with Sureties, to the General Treaſurer, in the penal Sum of Forty Thouſand Pounds Old Tenor, for the faithful Diſcharge of his Office.

Whereas

WHEREAS *Samuel Clarke*, Eſq; One of the Perſons who gave Bond jointly with the General Treaſurer, for the faithful Diſcharge of his Office, is dead, *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to give Bond, with Two Sureties, for the ſame Sum for which he did before give Bond, faithfully to diſcharge the ſaid Office.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Committee appointed to ſettle Capt. *William Mumford*'s Accounts, reſpecting Fort *George*, be continued for the Purpoſe for which they were appointed ; and that they make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That each, and every Member of the Committee of War, be, and he is hereby empowered, and directed to apprehend all Perſons who have inliſted into the Forces, raiſed by this Colony, during the preſent War, and have deſerted the Service.

AND *it is further Voted and Reſoved*, That if any Perſon, who hath deſerted, ſhall, within Thirty Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, deliver himſelf up to ſome one of the Committee of War, and ſhall refund the Money advanced him, together with all Charges, of every Nature and Kind whatever, that the Colony hath been put to on his Account, the Member of the Committee of War, to whom he ſhall deliver himſelf up, ſhall receive the ſame, and give him a proper Diſcharge from the Colony's Service ; which Diſcharge ſhall indemnify him againſt all further Proſecution, upon Account of his Deſertion. And that all Deſerters, who ſhall not deliver themſelves up, and repay the Colony as aforeſaid, ſhall be committed to His Majeſty's Gaol in any County in this Colony, and there remain until an Opportunity offers of tranſporting them to *New-York*, to be diſpoſed of according to the Directions that ſhall be given by his Excellency General *Amherſt*, either as a Recruit for the Regular Corps, or to be ſent to Fort *Stanwix*, to receive ſuch Puniſhment as may be inflicted, according to the Diſcipline of the Army, and to remain in the Colony's Service until diſcharged from the ſame.

AND *it is further Voted and Reſolved*, That the Committee of War, from Time to Time, make Report to the General Aſſembly, of all the Deſerters that ſhall be apprehended, or deliver themſelves up, and ſuch as they ſhall diſcharge. And the Committee of War ſhall be accountable for all the Monies they ſhall receive, as aforeſaid : And that the ſeveral Members of the ſaid Committee of War put up Notifications, in every Town in the ſeveral Counties where they reſpectively dwell, inſerting therein the Subſtance of this Act.

AN ACT empowering the Juſtices of the Peace, in this Colony, to try Actions not exceeding Forty Pounds Old Tenor, or Forty Shillings Lawful Money.

BE it Enacted by the General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted, That any Two of the Juſtices of the Peace in this Colony,

Colony, ſhall have full Power to hear, try, and determine all Actions of the Caſe, Account, Debt, Detinue, and Treſpaſs, where the Title of Lands Tenements, or Hereditaments, is not in Diſpute, and where the Debt or Damage amounts to not more than Forty Pounds Old Tenor, or Forty Shillings Lawful Money, the Colony's Bonds excepted, and to give Judgment therein, and award Execution thereon, in the ſame Manner and Form as the Juſtices are empowered, by an Act paſſed by the General Aſſembly, at their Seſſion held at *Providence*, on Tueſday the Firſt Day of *February*, in the Year 1757. Any Law, Cuſtom, or Uſage to the contrary hereof in any wiſe notwithſtanding.

AN ACT for ſupplying the General Treaſury with the Sum of Eight Thouſand Pounds Lawful Money, by levying a Tax upon the Inhabitants of this Colony; and alſo with the Sum of Four Thouſand Pounds Lawful Money to be forthwith emitted; for paying off the Officers and Soldiers in the Service of this Colony, upon their Return from the preſent Campaign.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted, That a Rate or Tax of Eight Thouſand Pounds Lawful Money be aſſeſſed on the Inhabitants of this Colony, and that the ſame be apportioned unto, and upon the ſeveral Towns as followeth, *to wit*

	£.				£.		
Newport,	1560	0	0		5505	0	0
Providence,	500	0	0	*Weſt-Greenwich*,	131	10	0
Portſmouth,	358	0	0	*Coventry*,	131	10	0
Warwick,	370	0	0	*Exeter*,	177	10	0
Weſterly,	201	10	0	*Middletown*,	246	0	0
New-Shoreham,	125	0	0	*Briſtol*,	203	15	0
North-Kingſtown,	362	10	0	*Tiverton*,	264	10	0
South-Kingſtown,	584	10	0	*Little Compton*.	258	0	0
Eaſt-Greenwich,	206	10	0	*Warren*,	203	15	0
Jameſtown,	180	0	0	*Cumberland*,	160	0	0
Smithfield,	461	10	0	*Richmond*,	121	10	0
Scituate,	252	10	0	*Cranſton*,	310	0	0
Glouceſter,	203	10	0	*Hopkinton*,	166	0	0
Charleſtown,	139	10	0	*Johnſton*,	121	0	0
	£. 5505	0	0		£. 8000	0	0

AND *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the Aſſeſſors or Rate-makers of each reſpective Town, ſhall aſſeſs and apportion the Rate or Tax aforeſaid unto, and upon the Inhabitants thereof, and return a true Bill or Liſt of the ſame unto the Clerk of the Town to which they reſpectively belong, within Twenty Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly: And that the Town Clerk ſend a Copy thereof in Three Days after he ſhall receive the ſame, unto the General Treaſurer, who

who is hereby directed and required to iſſue his Warrant within Three Days after he ſhall receive the ſaid Bill or Liſt, unto the ſeveral Collectors of Rates or Taxes in each reſpective Town.

AND *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the ſeveral Aſſeſſors or Rate-makers ſhall put up Notifications in Three or more public Places in each reſpective Town, Ten Days before they aſſeſs and apportion ſaid Rate or Tax, requiring the Inhabitants to bring into them a true Liſt or Account, upon Oath, of their rateable Eſtates.

AND *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the ſeveral Collectors of Rates or Taxes in this Colony be, and they are hereby fully empowered to receive of the Inhabitants, for their reſpective Rates, either Lawful Money or Old Tenor, at the Rate of Eighteen and a Third for One.

AND *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the ſaid Rate or Tax be collected and paid into the General Treaſury on or before the Thirtieth Day of *November* next.

AND *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby fully empowered and directed to iſſue a Warrant of Diſtreſs againſt the Eſtate of every Collector, who ſhall neglect to pay into the General Treaſury the Proportion of the ſaid Rate or Tax, which ſhall be committed to him to collect, by the ſaid Thirtieth Day of *November*; and for Want of ſufficient Eſtate, to commit the Body of ſuch delinquent Collector to Gaol.

AND *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*. That the General Treaſurer ſhall be accountable for the Intereſt of the Lawful Money, which ſhall be paid into the General Treaſury by the Collectors of the ſeveral Towns of the above Rate, during the Time the ſame ſhall remain in the General Treaſury.

AND *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the Collectors of the Rates or Taxes in the ſeveral Towns in this Colony, who collect the aforeſaid Rate, be, and they are hereby ordered and directed, to pay into the General Treaſury the ſame Species of Bills that they ſhall receive of the Inhabitants for the ſaid Tax, both of the Lawful Money and the Old Tenor.

AND *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That each Town ſhall be accountable for any Neglect or Deficiency in their Collector or Collectors.

AND *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the Sum of Four Thouſand Pounds Lawful Money be emitted upon the Credit of this Colony, to carry Intereſt at the Rate of Five per Cent. per Annum, and put into the General Treaſury: And the Committee, by this Act appointed to ſign the ſame, are hereby empowered and directed to procure the ſaid Sum of Four Thouſand Pounds to be printed from Types, in the following Form, *to wit*:

"The Poſſeſſor of this Bill ſhall be paid by the Treaſurer of the Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, Twenty Shillings Lawful Money, at the Rate of Six Shillings and Nine Pence for One Ounce of Silver, with Intereſt at Five per Cent. per Annum, on or before the Firſt Day of *November*, 1767. By Order of the General Aſſembly. Dated *November* the Firſt, 1762."

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the Bills to be emitted by this Act, be of the following Denominations, *to wit*: Twenty Shillings, Ten Shillings, Five Shillings, Four Shillings, Three Shillings, Two Shillings, One Shilling, Nine Pence, Six Pence, and Three Pence. And that One Thouſand Three Hundred and Fifty Bills of the Denomination of Twenty Shillings, and Two Thouſand Bills of each of the other Denominations, be printed.

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That Meſſ'rs *John Jepſon*, *Job Bennet*, jun. *Walter Cranſton*, *John Davis*, jun. *Nathaniel Munford*, *Jonathan Eaſton*, *Elias Thompſon*, and *Edward Thurſton*, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to ſign the ſaid Bills. That the Bills of the Denomination of Twenty Shillings, Ten Shillings, Five Shillings, Four Shillings, and Three Shillings, be ſigned by any Three of the ſaid Committee: That the Bills of the Denomination of Two Shillings, One Shilling, Nine Pence, Six Pence, and Three Pence, be ſigned by any Two of the ſaid Committee: And that the ſaid Bills, when finiſhed, be lodged in the General Treaſury.

And for the calling in and redeeming the ſaid Bills, *Be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That a Rate or Rates be aſſeſſed and levied on the Inhabitants of this Colony, in ſuch Seaſon that the whole may be collected and paid into the General Treaſury, ſo as to redeem the ſaid Bills, with the Intereſt which ſhall be due thereon, before, or upon the Firſt Day of *November*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-ſeven: That the whole of the ſaid Rate or Rates, to be made for that Purpoſe, ſhall be levied in the ſame Bills now ordered to be emitted, or in Silver, at the Rate of Six Shillings and Nine Pence per Ounce, or in Gold at a proportionate Value: And that the Silver and Gold ſo paid into the General Treaſury, be appropriated, and immediately applied, to the Redemption of the Bills to be emitted by this Act.

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the Secretary be, and he is hereby directed, to publiſh this Act, and ſend a Copy of the ſame unto every Town Clerk in the Colony within Five Days after the Rising of this Aſſembly.

We the Subſcribers beg Leave to proteſt againſt the Proportion of the above Rate, as the ſame is proportioned to the ſeveral Towns in this Colony, for the following Reaſons:

1ſt. For that the Colony hath been at near Twenty Thouſand Pounds Expence, to procure a juſt and true Eſtimate of the Colony, which hath not been in any wiſe adhered to in the above Proportion.

2d. For that there hath been a Committee appointed by both Houſes, to have the Advantage of thoſe Eſtimates before them, and form a juſt Eſtimate from the whole, whereby a true Proportion might be had, who have made Report, which hath been received by both Houſes; upon which another Committee have been appointed, to have the Advantage of ſaid Eſtimates, and the Advantage of all former Proportions, as alſo the Advantage of the ſaid former Committee's Report, and to make Report to this Houſe, which hath been received in the Lower Houſe, and non-concurred with by the Upper Houſe, and not receded from

from by the Lower Houſe, which we conceive to be a more juſt Proportion than the above.

William Bradford, *John Shearman*, jun.
Benjamin Greene, *David Anthony*,
James Barker, jun. *George Franklin*,
Samuel Boone, jun.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Committee appointed to ſettle Capt. *William Read*'s Accounts with the Colony, be ſtill continued for that Purpoſe, and that they make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

WHEREAS there are at preſent Two public Seals in this Colony, One of which is badly cut, and the other very much defaced, *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the Secretary be, and he is hereby empowered to break the ſaid Seals, and improve the ſame in procuring a new Seal, to be made for the Uſe of the Colony, of the ſame Form with the old Seals: And that what the ſaid new Seal ſhall coſt, more than the Value of the old Ones, ſhall be paid out of the General Treaſury.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed, not to deliver out to the Committee of War, any of the Four Thouſand Pounds Lawful Money, ordered to be emitted at this Seſſion, until after the next Seſſion of Aſſembly. And that each Member of the Committee of War lay before this Aſſembly, at the next Seſſion, an Account of the Number of Forces he had the Care of fitting out, and ſending away, on the laſt Campaign.

WHEREAS Mr. *Jonathan Jeffers* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Attendance upon this Aſſembly Five Days, during the preſent Seſſion. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Seventeen Pounds Ten Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Jonathan Jeffers* out of the General Treaſury.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred to the next Seſſion: That the Secretary publiſh the Acts and Orders, now made and paſſed, by Beat of Drum, in *Newport*, within Ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, and within Thirty ſend Copies of the ſame to each Town-Clerk in the Colony: And that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned to the laſt Monday in *October* next, if then called by either of their Honors the Governor, or Deputy Governor; but if not called at, nor before the ſaid Day, then that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is diſſolved.

GOD Save the KING.

Publiſhed according to Order, in *Newport*, the Fourth Day of *October*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-two, by

HENRY WARD, Secr'y.

A true Copy duly examined.
WITNESS,

Henry Ward Secry

OCTOBER, 1762.

At the GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of RHODE-ISLAND, and PROVIDENCE Plantations, in NEW-ENGLAND, in AMERICA; begun and holden at PROVIDENCE, within and for the ſaid Colony, on the laſt Wedneſday of *October*, in the Year of our LORD One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-two, and Third of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty GEORGE the Third, by the Grace of GOD KING of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Hon. SAMUEL WARD, Eſq; Governor.

The Hon. JOHN GARDNER, Eſq; Deputy Governor.

NICHOLAS EASTON, Eſq;
NICHOLAS TILLINGHAST, Eſq;
DARIUS SESSIONS, Eſq;
ROBERT LAWTON, Eſq;
NATHANIEL SEARLE, Eſq;
} Aſſiſtants.

JOSEPH HARRIS, Eſq;
CALEB ALLEN, Eſq;
HENRY GARDNER, Eſq;
SAMUEL GREENE, Eſq;
} Aſſiſtants.
The SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES from the ſeveral TOWNS.

NEWPORT;
Mr. *John Wanton*, (Son of *Gideon*)
George Hazard, Eſq;
John Jepſon, Eſq;
Daniel Ayrault, jun. Eſq;
Capt. *William Read*.

PROVIDENCE;
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq;
Mr. *George Jackſon*.
James Angel, Eſq;
Mr. *Eſeck Hopkins*.

PORTSMOUTH;

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David Anthony, Eſq;
WARWICK ,
Philip Greene, Eſq;
Stephen Arnold, Eſq;
Col. *James Arnold*,
Mr. *Abraham Chace*.
WESTERLY ;
Col. *William Pendleton*.
NEW-SHOREHAM ;
Mr. *Edmond Sheffield*,
Capt. *George Gardner*, jun.
NORTH-KINGSTOWN ;
Beriah Brown, Eſq.
Joſeph Coggeſhall, Eſq;
SOUTH-KINGSTOWN ;
Mr. *Thomas Potter*, jun.
EAST-GREENWICH ;
Major *John Arnold*,
Thomas Aldrich, Eſq;
JAMESTOWN ;
Mr. *Iſaac Howland*,
Mr *Nicholas Carr*.
SMITHFIELD ;
Thomas Arnold, Eſq;
Mr. *Jonathan Arnold*, jun.
SCITUATE ;
Job Randal, Eſq;
Jeremiah Angel, Eſq
GLOUCESTER ;
Richard Steere, Eſq;
CHARLESTOWN
Robert Potter, Eſq;
WEST-GREENWICH ;
Capt. *Tibbits Hopkins*,
Capt. *Job Spencer*.
COVENTRY ;
Caleb Greene, Eſq;
Capt. *Joab Stafford*.
EXETER ;
Benoni Hall, Eſq;
Mr. *Joſeph Holloway*.
MIDDLETOWN ;
Mr. *James Barker*, jun
Mr. *William Baley*.
BRISTOL ;
Mr. *William Bradford*,
Capt. *Daniel Bradford*.
TIVERTON ;
Thomas Anthony, Eſq;
LITTLE-COMPTON ;
William Hall, Eſq;
Oliver Hilyard, Eſq;
WARREN ;
James Brown, Eſq;
Mr. *Ebenezer Cole*.
CUMBERLAND ;
John Dexter, Eſq;
Jeremiah Whipple, Eſq;
RICHMOND ;
Capt. *Benjamin Barber*,
Mr. *David Potter*.
CRANSTON ;
Mr. *William Waterman*,
Jonathan Randal, Eſq;
HOPKINTON ;
None.
JOHNSTON ;
Thomas Owen, Eſq;
John Waterman, Eſq;

The Hon. PHILIP GREENE, Eſq; choſen Speaker ; and JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

WHEREAS Mr. *Edward Clarke* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time, Horſe-hire, and Expences, in carrying the Rate-Bill to the Counties of *Briſtol*, *Providence*, *Kent*, and *King's County* : And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed ; and that Seventy-five Pounds the Amount thereof be paid the ſaid *Edward Clarke* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS

WHEREAS *Henry Sherburne* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time, Horſe-hire, and Expences, in carrying the Rate-Bill to the Towns of *Portſmouth*, *Middletown*, *Little-Compton*, and *Tiverton*. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Twenty-ſeven Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Henry Sherburne* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Col. *James Arnold*, jun. and *John Dexter*, Eſq; were appointed to repair *Patuxet* Bridge, at the Charge of the Colony; and the ſaid *James Arnold* having performed the ſame, exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account of the Expence thereof: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that One Thouſand One Hundred and Nine Pounds, Two Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *James Arnold*, jun. out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mrs. *Ann Franklin*, and Mr. *Samuel Hall*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for printing the Proceedings of the General Aſſembly, at the Seſſion held in *Auguſt*, inſerting in the *Newport Mercury* a Proclamation, *&c. &c.* And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Two Hundred and Eighteen Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Ann Franklin* and *Samuel Hall* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Jacob Richardſon* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Four Reams of Paper delivered the Committee appointed to procure the Money, ordered to to be emitted at the laſt Seſſion, to be printed: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that One Hundred and Twenty Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Jacob Richardſon* out of the General Treaſury.

AN ACT empowering the General Treaſurer to diſpoſe of Eight Thouſand, Eight Hundred and Sixty-one Pounds, Twelve Shillings Sterling, being Part of the Sum granted by the Crown to the Colonies.

WHEREAS it appears, by a Letter from Joſeph Sherwood, *Eſq; Agent for this Colony, bearing Date* July 31, 1762, *That he hath received Eight Thouſand, Eight Hundred and Sixty-one Pounds, Twelve Shillings Sterling, being Part of the Grant made by the Parliament, for reimburſing the Expences of the Northern Colonies for the Expedition of the Year* 1760.

BE *it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted*, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed, and fully empowered to ſell and diſpoſe of Two Thouſand, Six Hundred

Hundred and Fifteen Pounds, Fourteen Shillings and Two Pence Sterling, by drawing Bills of Exchange on *Joſeph Sherwood*, Eſq; Agent for this Colony, in *Great-Britain*, payable at Ten Days Sight, in Favour of any Perſon who ſhall purchaſe the ſame, by bringing into the General Treaſury, Lawful Money Bills of this Colony, emitted in the Month of *May*, A. D. 1758, or Silver and Gold; and that he allow Intereſt on the ſaid Lawful Money Bills until the Eighth Day of *November* next, and no longer.

And *whereas an Act of this Aſſembly was made and paſſed in* Auguſt *laſt, empowering the General Treaſurer to draw for the Sum of Eight Thouſand Pounds Sterling, of the aforeſaid Grant, in a different Manner than what is directed in this Act; in Conſequence whereof the Sum of One Thouſand, One Hundred and Fifteen Pounds, Sixteen Shillings and Eight Pence, Three Farthings, was drawn for by the General Treaſurer, at Sixty Days Sight: Be it therefore Enacted*, That *Joſeph Sherwood*, Eſq; the Agent, be directed and empowered to pay the ſaid Bills, ſo drawn, as aforeſaid, amounting to One Thouſand, One Hundred and Fifteen Pounds, Sixteen Shillings and Eight Pence, Three Farthings, as aforeſaid, at Ten Days Sight, after receiving Advice of this Act; a Copy of which the General Treaſurer is hereby directed to tranſmit to him as ſoon as may be.

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That as ſoon as the General Treaſurer ſhall have ſold and diſpoſed of the ſaid Two Thouſand, Six Hundred and Fifteen Pounds, Fourteen Shillings and Two Pence Sterling, he alſo be, and is hereby empowered immediately after to ſell and diſpoſe of the remaining Part of the ſaid Eight Thouſand, Eight Hundred and Sixty-one Pounds, Twelve Shillings Sterling, excepting the Sum of One Thouſand, One Hundred and Fifteen Pounds, Sixteen Shillings and Eight Pence, Three Farthings, Sterling, drawn for as aforeſaid, and draw Bills for the ſame, payable at Ten Days Sight, in Favor of ſuch Perſons as ſhall bring into the Treaſury Lawful Money Bills emitted by this Colony in *December*, A. D. 1758, or Gold and Silver; and that he alſo allow Intereſt on ſo much of the ſaid Lawful Money Bills of the ſaid *December* Emiſſion, as is equivalent to the remaining Part of the ſaid Eight Thouſand, Eight Hundred and Sixty-one Pounds, Twelve Shillings Sterling, with the Five per Cent. ariſing thereon, until the Twenty-third Day of *November* next, and no longer.

And *whereas the remaining Part of the ſaid Eight Thouſand, Eight Hundred and Sixty-one Pounds, Twelve Shillings Sterling, will not be ſufficient to redeem the whole of the Lawful Money Bills of the Emiſſion of* December, *A. D.* 1758, *now outſtanding: Be it therefore further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the Perſons firſt preſenting the ſaid *December* Bills, ſhall be entitled to the Sterling Money, or to the Silver and Gold exchanged therefor, until all the ſaid remaining Part of the aforeſaid Eight Thouſand, Eight Hundred and Sixty-one Pounds, Twelve Shillings Sterling, be drawn for, either in the Lawful Money Bills, or ſold for Silver and Gold: And that the Remainder of the ſaid *December* Bills, ſtill outſtanding, continue to draw Intereſt as heretofore.

And

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to diſpoſe of the ſaid Sterling Money at the following Rate of Exchange, *to wit:* For every Bill of Exchange he ſhall draw for One Hundred Pounds Sterling, he ſhall receive One Hundred and Five Pounds Sterling, and in the ſame Proportion for a greater or leſs Sum, reckoning a *Spaniſh* Silver milled Dollar, as alſo Six Shillings of the ſaid Lawful Money Bills, to be equal to Four Shillings and Six Pence Sterling.

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to draw no Bill for a leſs Sum than Twenty Pounds Sterling.

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the Form of the Bills of Exchange, to be drawn as aforeſaid, be as followeth, *to wit:*

Excha. for £. Sterling. *Newport, Rhode-Iſland*, 1762.

In Purſuance of an Act of the General Aſſembly of the Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, at Ten Days Sight of this my Firſt of Exchange, (Second, Third, and Fourth, of the ſame Tenor and Date, not paid) pay unto or Order, the Sum of Sterling, out of the Money in your Hands, granted by the Crown to the Colonies in *North-America*, to reimburſe them the Charges of raiſing Troops for the Expedition againſt His Majeſty's Enemies, for the Year 1760, for Value received, with or without further Advice from

Your aſſured Friend.

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That ſo much Gold and Silver as ſhall be received in Payment for the ſaid Sterling Bills, ſhall be appropriated to redeem the Lawful Money Bills of the Emiſſion of *May*, A. D. 1758, until the whole of ſaid Emiſſion be redeemed: And that the Remainder of the Gold and Silver received in Payment for ſaid Sterling Bills, as aforeſaid, ſhall be appropriated to redeem the Lawful Money Bills of *December* Emiſſion, preſented and lodged as aforeſaid.

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the aforeſaid Act of Aſſembly, made and paſſed in *Auguſt* laſt, relating to the diſpoſing of the ſaid Eight Thouſand Pounds Sterling, be ſo far repealed as that no more of the ſaid Sum than what is already diſpoſed of, be drawn for agreeable to the Tenor of the ſaid Act.

Whereas *George Gardner*, Eſq; exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for ſundry Services performed by him when Sheriff of the County of *Newport*, which Account was at the laſt Seſſion referred, by the Lower Houſe, to *John Jepſon*, and *George Hazard*, Eſqrs. who having examined the ſame, preſented unto this Aſſembly their Report thereon, and alſo an Account by them charged againſt the Colony for their Trouble in performing the ſaid Service, as follows, *to wit:*

We being appointed, by the Lower Houſe, a Committee to examine the Account of Mr. *George Gardner*, late Sheriff of the County of *New-*

port, do report, That we have carefully examined the ſame, and do find that his Charge of Three Pounds per Day, for his Attendance upon the Courts, and General Aſſembly, Forty-four Days, to be Twenty-four Shillings per Day more than the Law allows the Sheriffs for their Attendance; in Conſequence thereof we have deducted the Sum of Fifty-two Pounds, Sixteen Shillings, being the Amount of the abovementioned over Charge, out of his Account, which leaves a Balance in his Favor of Two Hundred and Sixty-three Pounds, Fourteen Shillings Old Tenor, which, in our Opinions, is lawfully due to him.

We ſubmit this Report to the Hon. General Aſſembly, and are
Their humble Servants,

John Jepſon,
George Hazard.

Colony of Rhode-Iſland ---- *Dr.*

To our Time and Trouble in examining the ſaid Account, and ſearching the Records at the Secretary's Office, One Day each, at £.6 per Day,	£. 12	o	o

And the Premiſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be accepted: That Two Hundred and Sixty-three Pounds, Fourteen Shillings, being the Balance due to the ſaid *George Gardner*, be paid him out of the General Treaſury: That the Account of the Committee be allowed; and that Twelve Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *John Jepſon*, and *George Hazard*, out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas Meſſrs. *Henry Harris*, *John Waterman*, *Daniel Eddy*, and *Gideon Waterman*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That they, together with Mr. *Benjamin Belknap*, were, by the General Aſſembly, appointed Directors of a Lottery for the building a Meeting-Houſe in the Town of *Johnſton*, and gave Bond for the faithful Performance of the Truſt repoſed in them: That they have proceeded ſo far as to draw the Firſt Claſs of ſaid Lottery, the doing of which was attended with a great Deal of Trouble and Pains, and cauſed the Petitioners to expend conſiderable Sums of their own Money to compleat the ſame. That the preſent Scarcity of Money, together with the many Lotteries now on Foot, renders it impracticable for the Petitioners to proceed any further in the ſaid Affair. And thereupon the ſaid Petitioners prayed this Aſſembly to appoint a Committee to ſettle their reſpective Accounts, concerning the ſaid Lottery; and that upon their accounting for, and paying all ſuch Monies as ſhall be found juſtly due from them upon Account of the ſaid Lottery, their Bonds may be cancelled, and they diſcharged from proceeding any further in the ſaid Lottery.

On Conſideration whereof;

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Prayer of the foregoing Petition be, and the ſame is hereby granted: And that *George Taylor*, and *Job Randal*, Eſqrs, and Mr. *George Jackſon*, be, and they, or the major Part

Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of the Petitioners, and that they make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

WHEREAS the Hon. *John Gardner*, Eſq; Deputy Governor of this Colony, exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Labour performed by his Servants, in the Rebuilding Fort *George*, and for the Uſe of his Cart and Two Horſes upon the ſame Service, in the Year 1759. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that One Thouſand, Eight Hundred Pounds, and Fifteen Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid his Honor the Deputy Governor out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *Daniel Jenckes*, and *John Jepſon*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *William Richardſon*, who were appointed a Committee to ſettle the Accounts of Capt. *William Read*, relating to the Sale of the Colony's Brigantine, preſented unto this Aſſembly a State of that Account, and their Report thereon, as follows, *to wit:*

Dr. —— *The Colony of* Rhode-Iſland, *with* William Read.

To the Account of the Light-Houſe, ſettled by the General Aſſembly 28th *February*, 1756, and was then due - - - -	£.	5143	14	6	
1757. To the Intereſt of ſaid Sum, at 10 per Cent. - - -		514	7	5	
		5658	1	11	
1758. To the Intereſt on ditto, at 10 per Cent.		565	16	2	
		6223	18	1	
1759. To the Intereſt on ditto, at 10 per Cent.		622	7	10	
		6846	5	11	
Feb. 27. To Caſh paid *Obadiah Brown* in Part for the Colony's Brigt.		3002	18	0	
				£. 9849	3 11
1761. *Sept.* 7. To Caſh paid *Joſeph Clarke*, per Receipt,				1791	6 8
To Intereſt on £. 2349 3 11 being Money advanced *O. Brown*, more than received for the Brigt. 6 Months, at 10 per Cent.				117	9 2
To Intereſt on £. 1791 6 8 Money paid *Joſeph Clarke*, 1 Year and 1 Month, at 10 per Cent.				195	12 0
To Intereſt on £. 117 9 2 1 Year, £.		11	15	0	
To ditto, - - 1 Year,		12	18	0	
To ditto, - - 1 Year,		14	4	0	
To ditto, - - 2 Months,		2	12	0	
				41	9 0
To Balance due to the Colony, *October*, 1762.				4824	1 3
				£. 16819	2 0

Creditor.

1759.	By the Country Brigantine, ſold to *Thomas Haſzard*, for £. 15000.					
Feb.	By Caſh received in Part for ditto, at the ſigning the Bill of Sale for ſaid Brigantine,			£.7500	0	0
Aug.	By ditto, being the Remainder of ſaid Sum the ſaid Brigt. ſold for, -			7500	0	0
	Balance due *Auguſt*, 1759,	£.5150	16 0			
	Intereſt to *Aug.* 1760, at 10 per Cent.	515	0 0			
	Ditto to *Aug.* 1761, at 10 per Cent.	566	12 0			
	Ditto to *Aug.* 1762, at 10 per Cent.	623	5 0			
	Ditto to *Oct.* 1762, at 10 per Cent.	114	5 0			
				1819	2	0
				£.16819	2	0

We the Subſcribers being appointed to ſettle Capt. *William Read*'s Accounts with the Colony, relating the Sale of the Colony's Brigantine, do report, That there is due to the Colony Four Thouſand, Eight Hundred and Twenty-four Pounds, One Shilling and Three Pence Old Tenor, as appears by the Account ſtated above.

Daniel Jenckes,
John Jepſon,
William Richardſon.

And the ſaid Report being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That Mr. *Nathaniel Mumford* be, and he is hereby appointed a Director of the Market and Granary Lottery, in *Newport*, in the Room of Mr. *Thomas Robinſon*, who declines ſerving any longer; the ſaid *Nathaniel Mumford* giving Bond as the other Directors have done.

Whereas *Joſeph Sherwood*, Eſq; Agent for this Colony in *Great-Britain*, hath informed this Colony, That a Part of the Grant made by the Parliament, to reimburſe the Northern Colonies the Charges of the Expedition in the Year 1760, is retained by the Lords Commiſſioners of the Treaſury, until Information be had of the Number of Forces ſent into the Field by each Colony in that Year: *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That his Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requeſted to write to his Excellency Sir *Jeffery Amherſt*, and deſire him to tranſmit him a Copy of the Return of the Number of Men ſent into the Field by each Government in the Year 1760; and compare the Account therein given of the Forces ſent by this Colony, with the Return made by the Colonel of the Regiment, and upon finding the ſame correct, tranſmit the ſame to the Agent as ſoon as poſſible.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That *Nathan Rice*, and *Elijha Brown*, Eſqrs. be ſued for what is due from them to the Colony: *Provided nevertheleſs*,

nevertheleſs, That if the ſaid *Eliſha Brown* ſhall, within Three Weeks after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, ſettle and adjuſt his Accounts, as a Member of the Committee of War, with the Committee appointed to audit his Accounts, that then no Suit ſhall be commenced againſt him 'till further Orders from this Aſſembly.

WHEREAS Capt. *Simeon Potter* preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That at the Superior Court held in *Briſtol*, in *November*, 1761, a Bill of Indictment was found againſt him, for an Aſſault ſaid to be made upon the Rev. Mr. *John Uſher*: That in Conſequence thereof, a Verdict was found againſt him, and he was fined Five Hundred Pounds. And the ſaid *Simeon Potter* having, in the ſaid Petition, aſſigned divers Reaſons to ſhew, that he was greatly injured, prayed this Aſſembly, That the Bill, Conviction, Sentence, and Records, relating to the Premiſes, may be nullified, and rendered abſolutely void, and that he be not compelled to pay the ſaid Fine and Coſts.

On Conſideration whereof,

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Petition be, and the ſame is hereby referred to the next Seſſion; and that in the mean Time Execution be ſtayed.

A N A C T in Addition to an Act, enabling the Town-Council of each Town to grant Licences for the retailing ſtrong Liquors, and to prevent the ſelling ſuch Liquors by Retail without Licence firſt obtained.

WHEREAS in and by the ſaid Act, the Town Council of each reſpective Town in this Colony, is enabled to take for each Licence diſcretionally, not exceeding Fifteen Pounds Old Tenor; which Sum is too ſmall, conſidering the Advantages that many Perſons receive by taking ſuch Licences:

BE *it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted*, That the Town-Council of each reſpective Town in this Colony, for the future, be, and is hereby enabled to take for each Licence that ſhall be granted, diſcretionally, not exceeding Five Pounds Lawful Money; which Money ſhall be paid into the Town-Treaſury, where ſuch Licence ſhall be granted, for defraying the public Charges of ſuch Town: Any Law, Cuſtom, or Uſage to the contrary hereof in any wiſe notwithſtanding.

WHEREAS *Ruſus Spencer*, Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *Kent*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for building Steps for the Court-Houſe in the ſaid County, for mending the Windows of the ſaid Houſe, providing Wood for, and his Attendance upon the General Aſſembly at *February* and *Auguſt*

Seſſion, *&c.* And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that One Hundred and Twenty-nine Pounds, Nineteen Shillings and Six Pence, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Rufus Spencer* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *David Comſtock*, Eſq; One of the Gentlemen appointed to take an Eſtimate of the Rateable Eſtates in *Smithfield*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time, Horſe-hire, and Expences in attending in *Newport* upon the Committee appointed to form a General Eſtimate. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Three Pounds, Fifteen Shillings and Seven Pence, One Farthing, Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *David Comſtock* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *James Helme*, and *Benjamin Peckham*, Eſqrs. being the major Part of a Committee appointed to ſettle the Accounts of *Robert Potter*, Eſq; preſented unto this Aſſembly, a State of his Account, together with their Report thereon, and alſo an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, as follows, *to wit:*

Dr. ---- *The Colony of* Rhode-Iſland *to* Robert Potter.

1761.

	£.	s.	d.
To Caſh paid Capt. *Giles Ruſſell* and Company, upon their Return from the Camp in the Year 1761, after deducting the Commiſſary's Bill,	809	2	8
To ditto. paid *James Richardſon*, as Quarter-Maſter, for the Year 1759,	23	15	0
To ditto paid *Joſeph Hiſcox*, for his Son *Thomas*'s Wages,	0	16	0
To ditto paid *Low Mux*, Adminiſtratrix to *Daniel Skeſuck*, for ſo much due in 1760, per Certificate from *Joſ. Haſzard*	4	0	0
To ditto paid *James Babcock*, for 3 Soldiers, due for Service in 1760, per Certificate from *Joſeph Haſzard*,	11	5	0¾
To ditto paid *Ann Kinyon*, for *John Auchmuty*, for Service in 1760, per Certificate from *Joſeph Haſzard*,	2	6	8
To ditto paid *James Babcock*, for the Wages of *Weight Saunders*,	6	11	3
To ditto paid *Joſeph Cozzens*, - - - - -	5	12	0
To ditto paid *William Middleton*, for Expences at No. 4. in 1759,	3	0	0
To ditto paid *Jeremiah Crandal*'s Order to *Sumner Chapman*,	3	5	5½
To ditto paid *Robert Haſzard*, - - Doctor's Bill, - -	9	7	0
To ditto paid *Peleg Croſs*, for a Coffin for a Soldier, -	0	8	9
To ditto paid *William Gavet*, for removing Two invalid Soldiers in the Small Pox,	0	10	11
To ditto paid *Daniel Kinyon*, for 8 ditto, - -	1	5	1
To ditto paid *James Laymor*, for bringing *Io. Harvey* from *Palmer*,	1	12	6

To

To ditto paid *John Denniſon*, for victualling Capt. *Ruſſell*'s Company,	28	6	0
To diſto paid *John Ball*, - - Doctor's Bill, - -	0	13	6½
To ditto paid *Jonathan Langford*, for tranſporting Stores,	1	6	2½
To ditto paid *Benjamin Herrington*, - - Doctor's Bill, - -	0	6	0
To ditto paid ditto, - - - ditto, -	0	10	10
To ditto paid *John Franklin*, for victualling invalid Soldiers,	0	14	2½
To ditto paid *John Shaddock*, for a Coffin,	0	4	5
To ditto paid *Stephen Lamphere*, for *Amos Satterly*,	1	15	5
To ditto paid the Town of *Weſterly*, for Expences in the Small Pox	11	13	10½
To ditto paid *John Harmon*, for tranſporting invalid Soldiers to *Franklin*'s Ferry,	0	19	8½
To ditto paid Capt. *Giles Ruſſell*, for Neceſſaries for Soldiers,	2	11	7
To ditto paid *Jeffry Wilcox*, for *George Wilcox*'s Wages, per Certificate from *Joſeph Haſzard*,	2	6	10¾
To ditto paid *William Potter*, for the Town of *South-Kingſtown*, for ſupplying ſundry Soldiers who had the Small Pox,	200	0	0
To ditto paid Capt. *Giles Ruſſell*, for Bounty and Levy Money for 78 Soldiers,	413	8	0
To ditto paid Lieut. *Thomas Cottrell*, for ditto of 28 Soldiers,	148	8	0
To ditto paid Lieut. *Moſes Warren*, for ditto of 13 ditto, and 11*ſ.* advanced to *Stephen Larkin*, who was diſcharged,	69	9	0
To ditto paid *Joſeph Reynolds*, jun. for *Joſhua Lyman*, for entertaining a ſick Soldier,	1	10	6½
To ditto paid *Benjamin Herrington*, - - Doctor's Bill,	0	13	4
To ditto paid *Sumner Chapman*, for tranſporting an invalid Soldier from *Norwich*, per Certificate from *Joſeph Haſzard*,	1	10	0
1762. To One Month's Pay and Billeting of Capt. *Ruſſell* and Company, Lieut. *Thomas Cottrell* and Company, and Lieut. *Moſes Warren* and Company, in all - -	827	10	9
To ditto paid Five Soldiers, who remained laſt Winter at Fort *Stanwix*,	75	0	0
To *Robert Potter*, for Sundries to *Charles Ninegret*, a Soldier, in his laſt Sickneſs,	1	7	2
For 140 Blankets, - - at 22*s.* - -	154	0	0
140 Knapſacks, - - at 3*s.* 6*d.* -	24	10	0
40 Shirts, - - - at 12*s.* - -	24	0	0
9 Pair Breeches, - at 18*s.* - -	8	2	0
5 Pair ditto, - - at 12*s.* - -	3	0	0
22 Flannel Jackets, - at 10*s.* - -	11	0	0
	£. 2897	15	10
To Commiſſions on ſaid Sum, at 1 and half per Cent.	43	9	4
	£. 2941	5	2

Creditor

Creditor.

By Caſh received of the General Treaſurer, from the 30th of *June*, 1761, to the 16th of *April*, 1762, as appears by his Certificate, dated the 18th of *September*, 1762.	£. 2125	0	0
Balance due to *Robert Potter*, - - -	816	5	2
	£. 2941	5	2

We the Subſcribers being, with *Francis Willett*, Eſq; appointed by the General Aſſembly, to audit the Accounts of *Robert Potter*, Eſq; One of the Committee of War, having examined ſaid Accounts, find the ſame to conſiſt of Caſh paid and advanced to and for the Troops raiſed in this Colony, and for which he produced Receipts ſigned by the Perſons who received the ſame, and for Blankets and Knapſacks by him furniſhed to ſaid Troops; and for Cloathing ſent to Capt. *Volikert Douw*, the Colony's Agent at *Albany*; to which is added a Commiſſion of One and an Half per Cent. agreeable to the foregoing Account; and find a Balance of Eight Hundred and Sixteen Pounds, Five Shillings and Two Pence Lawful Money due to ſaid *Potter*. All which is ſubmitted by

James Helme,
Benjamin Peckham.

Charleſtown, 22nd *Oct.* 1762.

Colony - - - - Dr.

To examining the ſaid Accounts, 2 Days each, at £. 6 0 0 per Day,	£. 24	0	0

James Helme,
Benjamin Peckham.

And the Premiſſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be accepted: That the Balance of the foregoing Account, being Eight Hundred and Sixteen Pounds, Five Shillings and Two Pence Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Robert Potter* out of the General Treaſury: That the Account of the Committee be allowed; and that Twenty-four Pounds Old Tenor, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *James Helme* and *Benjamin Peckham* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Beriah Brown*, Eſq; late Sheriff of the County of *King's County*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for notifying the Members of the General Aſſembly, in the ſaid County, in *December*, 1760, and *March*, 1761: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Fifty Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Beriah Brown* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Daniel Jenckes*, Eſq; and Mr. *George Jackſon*, who were appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of Mr. *Joſeph Sheldon*, preſented unto this Aſſembly a State of his Account, and their Report thereon, as follows, *to wit*: *Dr.*---

Dr. --- *Mr.* Joſeph Sheldon's *Account Current with the Colony, as Overſeer of* Weyboſſet *Bridge, in* Providence.

1758. *Jan.* 19.	To Caſh paid *Joſeph Bucklin*, for repairing ſaid Bridge, - -	£.	857	15	6
1760. *April* 25.	To Plank and repairing ſaid Bridge, as per Account, - - - - -		599	10	0
1762. *Aug.* 28.	To Caſh paid for repairing ditto, as per ditto,		507	3	0
		£.	1964	8	6

Creditor.

1756. *March* 19.	By my Bond given to the Colony for	£.	1337	11	5
1760. *April* 25.	By old Plank, - - - - - - -		20	0	0
1762. *Auguſt* 28.	By Intereſt due on the aforeſaid Bond,		260	2	10
	Balance due to *Joſeph Sheldon*, -		346	14	3
		£.	1964	8	6

We the Subſcribers being appointed a Committee to ſettle the Accounts of Mr. *Joſeph Sheldon*, as Overſeer of the Bridge at *Weyboſſet*, in the Town of *Providence*, do report, That we have carefully examined the Accounts of the ſaid *Joſeph Sheldon*, and we find there is juſtly due to him from the Colony, Three Hundred and Forty-ſix Pounds, Fourteen Shillings and Three Pence Old Tenor. Witneſs our Hands, the 30th of *October*, 1762.

Daniel Jenckes,
George Jackſon, } Committee.

And the Premiſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted; and that Three Hundred and Forty-ſix Pounds, Fourteen Shillings and Three Pence, being the Balance of the foregoing Account, be paid to Mr. *Joſeph Sheldon* out of the General Treaſury.

AN ACT in Amendment of the laſt Act of the General Aſſembly, for the Relief of Inſolvent Debtors in Gaol.

WHEREAS by the laſt Act of the General Aſſembly, for the Relief of Inſolvent Debtors in Gaol, ſuch Debtor is empowered to ſue for his Priſon Fees in his own Name, by Means whereof the Priſon-Keeper is ſometimes kept out of his Money for the Maintenance of ſuch Inſolvent Debtor, by his refuſing to ſue his Creditor for his Maintenance:

Be *it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted*, That for the future, if any Inſolvent Debtor in Gaol ſhall refuſe or neglect to ſue for his Priſon Fees, as aforeſaid, and ſhall not pay the Priſon Keeper for his Maintenance, then, and in ſuch Caſe, the Priſon-Keeper be, and he is hereby empowered to bring an Action in his own Name againſt the Creditors of ſuch Inſolvent Debtor for his Priſon Fees.

And whereas it often happens, that Perſons are committed to Gaol, who are not Inſolvent Debtors, in which Caſe there is no Remedy for

the Priſon-Keeper; *Be it therefore further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That in ſuch Caſe, if ſuch Perſon refuſe or neglect to pay his Priſon Fees as aforeſaid, then ſuch Priſon-Keeper may bring an Action againſt his Real or Perſonal Eſtate for his Maintenance; as aforeſaid, to be recovered in the ſame Manner as in Actions brought againſt Real Eſtates, where the Perſon hath abſconded, or concealed himſelf.

AN ACT empowering the General Treaſurer to iſſue to the ſeveral Members of the Committee of War, the Four Thouſand Pounds Lawful Money, ordered to be emitted in *September* laſt, bearing Date *November* 1ſt, 1762, in order for a more equal Diſtribution of the ſame to the Officers and Soldiers throughout this Colony.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed, to deliver to the ſeveral Members of the Committee of War, the following Proportion of the ſaid Money, *to wit:* To *Thomas Cranſton*, Eſq; Two Hundred and Thirty-one Pounds, Six Shillings and Eight Pence: To *John Jepſon*, Eſq; Two Hundred and Thirty-one Pounds, Six Shillings and Eight Pence: To *John Bours*, Eſq; Two Hundred and Thirty-one Pounds, Six Shillings and Eight Pence: To Mr. *George Jackſon*, Two Hundred and Fourteen Pounds, Ten Shillings: To *Gideon Comſtock*, Eſq; Five Hundred and Four Pounds, Fourteen Shillings: To *Robert Potter*, Eſq; Seven Hundred and Seventy-ſix Pounds: To *Thomas Potter*, Eſq; Five Hundred and Seventy-four Pounds, Three Shillings: To *Shearjaſhub Bourn*, Eſq; Four Hundred and Sixteen Pounds, Eight Shillings: To *Thomas Caſey*, Eſq; Eight Hundred and Twenty Pounds, Five Shillings; and, as near as poſſible, an equal Proportion of the Bills of each Denomination.

AND *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the ſeveral Members of the Committee of War pay to each Officer and Soldier, One Third Part of the Wages that ſhall be due to them reſpectively, in thoſe individual Bills, as well the large as ſmall, in Order that the ſaid Money may have a more general Circulation throughout the Colony. *Provided nevertheleſs*, That nothing contained in this Act, ſhall empower the General Treaſurer to iſſue any Monies to any of the Members of the Committee of War, whoſe Accounts have not been ſettled agreeable to an Act of the General Aſſembly, made and paſſed in *Auguſt* laſt.

AND whereas *Eliſha Brown*, Eſq; hath not ſettled his Account with the Colony, *Be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That Mr. *George Jackſon* be, and he is hereby appointed in his Room to receive the Money, and pay off the Soldiers.

AND *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the Forces at Fort *Stanwix* be allowed Wages for Sixteen Days after the Camp breaks up, and no longer; and that the Forces which ſhall return from the *Havannah*, be diſcharged, and paid off, as ſoon as they arrive in this Colony.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Third Thurſday in *November* next, be, and the ſame is hereby directed to be obſerved as a Day of Public Thankſgiving throughout this Colony: And that his Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requeſted to iſſue a Proclamation, forbidding all Sports and Paſtimes, as well as ſervile Labor, on that Day.

WHEREAS Mr. *Joſhua Burr* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Three Days and an Half Attendance upon this Aſſembly, during the preſent Seſſion: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Ten Pounds, Ten Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Joſhua Burr* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Joſeph Hart* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Four Days Attendance upon this Aſſembly, during the preſent Seſſion, and providing Candles: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Fourteen Pounds, Twelve Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Joſeph Hart* out of the General Treaſury.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That Capt. *William Read* pay into the General Treaſury, the Balance that appears to be due from him to the Colony, by the Report of the Committee who audited his Accounts.

WHEREAS *Rufus Greene*, Eſq; and Mr. *Samuel Fry*, who were appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of *Thomas Caſey*, Eſq; exhibited unto this Aſſembly a State of his Account, and their Report thereon, as follows, *to wit*:

Dr. ---- *The Colony of* Rhode-Iſland *with* Thomas Caſey.

	Lawful Money.
To the Amount of the ſaid *Caſey*'s Account in the Year 1761, with the Commiſſions included, amounting to	£. 1168 9 8¼
To the Amount of the ſaid *Caſey*'s Account to *Sept.* 17th, 1762, Commiſſions included, amounting to	1642 15 6½
Balance due to the Colony, - - - - - -	33 12 4
	£. 2844 17 7¼

Creditor.

By the Amount of Caſh received of the Gen. Treaſurer, and other Perſons, in the Year 1761, amounting to	£. 1094 17 7¼
By Caſh received of the General Treaſurer in the Year 1762, amounting to - - - - -	1750 0 0
	£. 2844 17 7¼

Eaſt-Greenwich, Sept. 17, 1762.

WE the Subſcribers being appointed a Committee, by the Honorable the General Aſſembly, to audit the Accounts of *Thomas Caſey*, Eſq; One of the Members of the Committee of War, do report, That we have carefully examined the Accounts of ſaid *Caſey* with the Colony, and find them all well vouched, excepting Four Shillings towards *Prince Weſt*'s Half Month's Pay, which is included; and that the above is a fair State of the Accounts audited and ſettled, whereby it appears that the following Balance is juſtly due from ſaid *Caſey* to the Colony,

Colony, of Thirty-three Pounds, Twelve Shillings and Four Pence Lawful Money; and there is alſo Six Pounds, Thirteen Shillings and Six Pence Lawful Money ſaid *Caſey* paid *Andrew Boid*, more than by Law he was obliged to do, before embarking, which is included; the above Balance is due to the Colony, after allowing the ſaid *Caſey* his Commiſſions on all the Monies he paid out, at One and an Half per Cent. We likewiſe find, by a Certificate from *Joſeph Clarke*, Eſq; General Treaſurer, That the ſaid *Caſey* hath given Credit for all the Money he had received from Time to Time from ſaid Treaſurer.

Witneſs our Hands, *Rufus Greene*, *Samuel Fry*, } Committee.

And the Premiſſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted; and that Six Pounds, Seventeen Shillings and Six Pence Lawful Money be added to the Balance mentioned in the ſaid Report.

Whereas *Rufus Greene*, Eſq; and Mr. *Samuel Fry*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for their Time and Trouble in auditing the Accounts of *Thomas Caſey*, Eſq; And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Twenty-four Pounds thereof be allowed, and paid the ſaid *Rufus Greene* and *Samuel Fry* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas an Account was laid before this Aſſembly, charged by *David Wilkinſon*, Eſq; againſt *Nicholas Tillinghaſt*, Eſq; for the Uſe of a Room in the ſaid *Wilkinſon*'s Houſe, in which the Governor and Council ſat during the preſent Seſſion. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Thirty Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *David Wilkinſon* out of the General Treaſury.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That his Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requeſted to procure to be drawn up, a State of the Caſe reſpecting the Sugars ſeized at *Providence*, in *April*, 1761, One Third whereof was condemned to the King, and lodged in the General Treaſury, *&c.* and lay the ſame before this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion, together with all the Letters he hath received from Mr. *Temple*, and Copies of all the Letters ſent to him by His Honor the Governor.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion: That the Secretary publiſh the Acts and Orders, now made and paſſed, by Beat of Drum, in the Town of *Newport*, in Ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, and within Thirty ſend Copies of the ſame to each Town-Clerk in this Colony: And that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned to the laſt Monday in *February* next, then to meet at *Providence*.

GOD Save the KING.

PUBLISHED according to Order, the Eighth Day of *November*, 1762, by

HENRY WARD, *Secr'y.*

A true Copy, duly examined.
WITNESS,

Henry Ward Secry

FEBRUARY,
1763.

At the GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of RHODE-ISLAND, and PROVIDENCE Plantations, in *New-England*, in *America*; begun and holden by Adjournment at *Providence*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on the laſt Monday in *February*, in the Year of our LORD One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-three, and Third of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty *GEORGE* the Third, by the Grace of GOD KING of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Hon. SAMUEL WARD, *Eſq*; *Governor.*

The Hon. JOHN GARDNER, *Eſq*; *Deputy-Governor.*

NICHOLAS EASTON, Eſq;
NICHOLAS TILLINGHAST, Eſq;
DARIUS SESSIONS, Eſq;
NATHANIEL SEARLE, Eſq;
} Aſſiſtants.

JOSEPH HARRIS, Eſq;
CALEB ALLEN, Eſq;
SAMUEL GREENE, Eſq;
The SECRETARY.
} Aſſiſtants.

DEPUTIES from the ſeveral Towns.

The Hon. PHILIP GREENE, Eſq; Speaker.

NEWPORT;
Mr. *Gideon Wanton*, jun.
Mr. *John Wanton*, (Son of *Gideon*)
George Hazard, Eſq;
John Jepſon, Eſq;
Daniel Ayrault, jun. Eſq;
Capt. *William Read.*

PROVIDENCE;
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq;
Mr. *George Jackſon*,
James Angel, Eſq;
Mr. *Eſeck Hopkins.*

PORTSMOUTH;

PORTSMOUTH ;
John Shearman, jun Eſq;
David Anthony, Eſq;
Mr. *Thomas Brownel*,
Mr. *Enoch Butts*.
WARWICK ;
The Speaker,
Stephen Arnold, Eſq;
Col. *James Arnold*,
Mr. *Abraham Chace*.
WESTERLY ;
Col. *William Pendleton*,
Mr. *James Babcock*, jun.
NEW-SHOREHAM ; None.
NORTH-KINGSTOWN ;
Beriah Brown, Eſq;
Joſeph Coggeſhall, Eſq;
SOUTH-KINGSTOWN ;
Benjamin Peckham, Eſq;
Thomas Potter, jun. Eſq;
EAST-GREENWICH ;
Major *John Arnold*,
Thomas Aldrich, Eſq;
JAMESTOWN ;
Mr. *Iſaac Howland*,
SMITHFIELD ;
Thomas Arnold, Eſq;
Mr. *Jonathan Arnold*, jun.
SCITUATE ;
Job Randal, Eſq;
Jeremiah Angel, Eſq;
GLOUCESTER ; None.
CHARLESTOWN ;
Robert Potter, Eſq;
John Champlin, Eſq;
WEST-GREENWICH ;
Capt. *Tibbits Hopkins*,
Capt. *Job Spencer*.
COVENTRY ;
Caleb Greene, Eſq;
EXETER ;
Benoni Hall, Eſq;
Mr. *Joſeph Holloway*.
MIDDLETOWN ;
Mr. *James Barker*, jun.
BRISTOL ;
Mr. *William Bradford*,
Capt. *Daniel Bradford*.
TIVERTON ;
Mr. *Job Durfee*.
LITTLE-COMPTON ;
Oliver Hilyard, Eſq;
WARREN ;
James Brown, Eſq;
Ebenezer Cole, Eſq;
CUMBERLAND ;
John Dexter, Eſq;
Jeremiah Whipple, Eſq;
RICHMOND ;
Capt. *Benjamin Barber*,
Mr. *David Potter*.
CRANSTON ;
Jonathan Randal, Eſq;
HOPKINTON ;
None.
JOHNSTON ;
Thomas Owen, Eſq;
John Waterman, Eſq;

JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *Edward Thurſton*, *Jonathan Eaſton*, *Walter Cranſton*, *Nathaniel Mumford*, *Job Bennet*, jun. and *John Davis*, jun. exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for ſigning Four Thouſand Pounds Lawful Money, ordered to be emitted in *September* laſt, and for ſundry Expences attending the ſame. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed ; and that Twenty-three Pounds, Nine Shillings and Six Pence Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Edward Thurſton*, *Jonathan Eaſton*, *Walter Cranſton*, *Nathaniel Mumford*, *Job Bennet*, jun. and *John Davis*, jun. out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *Eliſha Brown*, *James Olney*, *Samuel Currie*, *Obadiah Sprague*, and *Nathaniel Balch*, repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That they were appointed, in *March*, 1762, Directors of a Lottery, granted for raiſing a Sum of Money to be applied for paving a Part of the Street in the Northerly End of the Town of *Providence*: That they have drawn the ſaid Lottery, and applied the Money accordingly. And thereupon they prayed this Aſſembly to appoint a Committee to ſettle all the Accounts of each Director of the ſaid Lottery, that each Director may take up his Bond. *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That Meſſrs. *Solomon Drown*, *Jabez Bowen*, jun. and *Daniel Marſh*, be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of each of the aforenamed Directors.

AND *it is further Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Committee audit the Accounts of all other Directors of Lotteries granted for paving the Streets of *Providence*: And that they make Report to this Aſſembly as ſoon as conveniently may be.

WHEREAS Mr. *Jonathan Jeffers* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for mending the Windows in the Colony-Houſe and Gaol-Houſe in the County of *Newport*. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Twenty-one Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Jonathan Jeffers* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Eliſha Sanford* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for ſuperintending the Preſs Nine Days, when printing the laſt Emiſſion of Lawful Money. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Fifty-four Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Eliſha Sanford* out of the General Treaſury.

BE *it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted*, That the Committee appointed to finiſh the Colony-Houſe in *Providence*, may make and put up in the Council-Chamber in ſaid Houſe, convenient Shelves or Caſes for the Books belonging to the *Providence* Library: And that the Proprietors of the ſaid Library may keep their Books therein. *Provided always*, That the ſaid Proprietors do pay all Expence that ſhall ariſe in making the ſaid Shelves and Caſes; and moreover, do permit the Members of the General Aſſembly the free Inſpection of the Books during the Seſſion of the General Aſſembly, without carrying them out of the Houſe.

WHEREAS Mrs. *Ann Franklin*, and Mr. *Samuel Hall*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for printing £. 4000 Lawful Money, conſiſting of 19350 Bills, at 32*ſ.* per Hundred; and for printing the Proceedings of the General Aſſembly, at their Seſſions held in the Months of *September* and *October* laſt, containing

containing 11 Sheets, at £.16 per Sheet: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Four Hundred and Eighty-five Pounds, Twelve Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Ann Franklin* and *Samuel Hall* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *Robert Gibbs*, *Jabez Bowen*, *Darius Seſſions*, *John Dexter*, *Ephraim Bowen*, and *Samuel Nightingale*, the Committee of the Preſbyterian, or Congregational Society, in the Town and County of *Providence*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That the ſaid Society, for a long Seaſon, have been deſtitute of a ſettled Goſpel Miniſter: That being willing to promote their own, as well as the beſt Intereſt of the Community to which they belong, they very much deſire to be reſtored to Goſpel-Order: That the Circumſtances of the ſaid Society are ſuch, that it ſeems almoſt impracticable, without the Interpoſition of this Aſſembly, by granting a Lottery, agreeable to the under-written Scheme, to lay a ſure Foundation for a decent Support to any worthy Gentleman diſpoſed to undertake the Charge: That as the Peace, Harmony, and Happineſs of all Communities, are much in Proportion to their Growth in Virtue and Knowledge: That as the procuring a Parſonage to lye forever for ſaid Society, as the Place of Reſidence for their Paſtor or Miniſter will not only greatly ſtrengthen their Hands, but have a good Influence on both Knowledge and Virtue: That as from the large Encouragements given by a Number of Gentlemen in the neighbouring Governments, if the ſaid Lottery be granted, the greater Part of the Tickets will undoubtedly be ſold out of, and bring a real Value into the Colony. And thereupon they prayed this Aſſembly to grant a Lottery of £. 3840 Lawful Money, the Deduction to be £. 560 Lawful Money: That the neceſſary Expences being firſt deducted, the Remainder be appropriated to the purchaſing a Parſonage, which ſhall be and remain to the ſaid Society forever. That the ſaid Lottery be ſet forth as ſoon as may be, and be drawn as ſoon as filled: That due Notice be ordered to be given of the Time or Times of Drawing; and the Benefit Tickets to be paid off in One Month after drawing: That all Prizes not demanded in Twelve Months after drawing, be deemed generouſly given, or forfeited to ſaid Society, for the Benefit of the ſame. That the ſaid Society's Committee, or the major Part of them, for the Time being, be fully authorized, and empowered to bring to Account, the Perſons who ſhall be appointed Managers of the ſaid Lottery, and receive of them their ſeveral Proportions of the Deduction, and paſs ample Diſcharges for the ſame: And that *Samuel Nightingale*, Eſq; Meſſrs. *James Green*, *Grindal Rawſon*, *William Wheaton*, *David Burr*, jun. *Nathaniel Balch*, *Jabez Bowen*, jun. and *Jonathan Arnold*, all of *Providence*, may be appointed Managers of the ſaid Lottery.

SCHEME of the Providence *Preſbyterian Parſonage Lottery.*

6400 Tickets, at 12*ſ.* Lawful Money per Ticket, amount to £. 3840
Deduction - - - - - - - 560
Fortunate Tickets, - - £. 3280

VIZ.

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8	of	£. 20	are	£. 160
16	of	10	are	160
48	of	5	are	240
120	of	4	are	480
520	of	2	are	1040
1000	of	1 4 0	are	1200
1712 Prizes.				£. 3280
4688 Blanks.				

6400 Tickets, being ſomething more than 2 Blanks and an Half to 1 Prize.

On Conſideration whereof,

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Petition be, and the ſame is hereby granted: Provided the Directors give Bond according to Cuſtom; and that no Charge accrue to the Colony by Reaſon thereof.

WHEREAS *Nathaniel Searle*, Eſq; and others, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That there is no Harbor in the Town of *Little-Compton*, excepting One called *Church's Harbour*, which lying juſt at the Mouth of the River that runneth up on the Eaſt Side of *Rhode-Iſland*, is very much expoſed to North-Weſterly Winds, by Reaſon whereof it is very difficult to procure Veſſels to come into ſaid Harbor to land Timber, Wood, Boards, and other Merchandize. That a good Wharf built in the ſaid Place, will render the ſame a good and convenient Harbor for all coaſting Veſſels and others bound from the Eaſtward to *Newport*, or up the River, or to *Providence*, when they meet with a Head-Wind, and will prevent a great many Veſſels from being driven to Sea, or caſt away. That the building the ſaid Wharf will be very ſerviceable for carrying on the Cod-Fiſhery, which will be attended with great public, as well as private Benefit: That the Town of *Little-Compton* is not able to raiſe a ſufficient Sum of Money to build the ſaid Wharf; they being very much reduced in their Eſtates, by Reaſon of high Taxes, and their Crops of Corn and Hay falling ſhort, there not being one Half of the Hay cut, or Stock kept, as in former Years. And thereupon the ſaid Petitioners prayed this Aſſembly to grant a Lottery, conſiſting of Two Claſſes, to raiſe the Sum of Six Thouſand Pounds Old Tenor, to be applied to the building a Wharf at the aforeſaid Harbor: And that *William Hall*, and *Thomas Church*, Eſqrs. Meſſrs. *Samuel Bailey*, *Thomas Brownel*, *Aaron Wilbour*, *Simeon Palmer*, *William Richmond*, jun. and *Henry Wood*, be appointed Directors of the ſaid Lottery.

The following is the Scheme for the firſt Claſs of the ſaid Lottery, preſented with the ſaid Petition, *to wit*:

3000 Tickets, at £. 8 Old Tenor *per* Ticket, whereof 957 to be Benefit-Tickets (ſubject to no Deduction) of the following Denominations, *to wit:*

1	of	£. 1000	is	£. 1000
1	of	500	is	500
2	of	300	are	600
4	of	200	are	800
14	of	100	are	1400
20	of	50	are	1000
25	of	40	are	1000
80	of	20	are	1600
810	of	16	are	12960
	Firſt Number drawn - - - - -			70
	Laſt Number drawn - - - - -			70
957	Prizes,			£. 21000
2043	Blanks.		For the Wharf,	3000
3000	Tickets, at £. 8 amount to - -			£. 24000

And the Premiſſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Petition be, and the ſame is hereby granted, agreeable to the foregoing Scheme preſented therewith: Provided the Directors give Bond according to Cuſtom; and that no Charge accrue to the Colony by Reaſon thereof.

Whereas *Thomas Lapham*, Eſq; and others, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That there is great Need of a Bridge to croſs *Pawtucket* River, at or near the Furnace Unity in *Cumberland*, there being no Bridge within Five Miles up, and Six Miles down the ſaid River from that Place: That Inhabitants live thick on each Side of the River, many of whom have Improvements on both Sides; and at many Times in the Year, for Weeks together, there is no paſſing over with Cart or Horſe: That there is an open High Road from *Smithfield* to *Boſton* over the River at that Place, where alſo ſtands a Griſt-Mill, of very large Cuſtom from *Smithfield*, when the River is fordable, and no other within many Miles: And that there are more than One Thouſand Tons annually carted to and from the ſaid Furnace, great Part whereof is carted acroſs the River, when fordable. And thereupon the ſaid Petitioners prayed this Aſſembly to grant a Lottery, for raiſing the Sum of Four Hundred Pounds Lawful Money Bills, for the Building a Bridge at the ſaid Place: And that Meſſrs. *Iſrael Wilkinſon*, *Stephen Whipple*, *Jonathan Gulley*, *Abner Lapham*, *Joſeph Davis*, and *John Fiſk*, may be appointed Managers of the ſaid Lottery.

On Conſideration whereof,

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Petition be, and the ſame is hereby granted: Provided that the Directors give Bond according to Cuſtom; and that no Charge accrue to the Colony by Reaſon thereof.

Whereas

WHEREAS ſeveral Merchants, and others, Inhabitants of the Town of *Providence*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That a Draw-Bridge at *Weyboſſet* will be of the greateſt Utility, as a large Part of the Town is ſituated along by the Water above the Bridge, in which Quarter a great Trade is carried on. That hitherto, for want of a Draw-Bridge, the Tranſportation of heavy Goods hath been attended with Difficulty and great Expence; and that Part of the Bridge hath always been taken down to get through new Veſſels launched above, which is not only chargeable and inconvenient, but weakens and impairs the Bridge itſelf; and that if there was a Draw-Bridge, no-body would be incommoded thereby; and it would tend greatly to the Promotion of Trade. And thereupon the ſaid Petitioners prayed this Aſſembly to grant a Lottery, to raiſe the Sum of Ninety Pounds Lawful Money Bills, to be appropriated for the Purpoſe aforeſaid: And that Meſſrs. *Nathan Angel*, *Joſeph Ruſſell*, *Ambroſe Page*, *John Smith*, *Job Smith*, *John Brown*, (Son of *Eliſha*) may be appointed Directors of the ſaid Lottery. On Conſideration whereof,

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Petition be, and the ſame is hereby granted: Provided that the Directors give Bond according to Cuſtom; and that no Charge accrue to the Colony by Reaſon thereof.

WHEREAS a Petition, ſigned by a Number of Perſons, was preferred unto this Aſſembly, repreſenting, That the variable and very uncertain State of the Currency of this Colony; the endleſs Confuſion and Diſorder attending all Buſineſs by Reaſon thereof, and the many Injuries ſuffered by the leſs knowing, and more unwary Part of the People, are ſuch Grievances as call for the reforming Hand, and aſſiſting Power of the Legiſlature: That they are of Opinion, that the ordering all Accounts to be kept, and Securities taken, in Lawful Money; the Value of Silver and Gold aſcertained, (*that is*) a Dollar weighing Seventeen Penny Weight and Twelve Grains, to be of the Value of Six Shillings Lawful Money, and ſo in a greater or leſs Proportion, and Gold at an equivalent Value; and the ordering in what Manner Old Tenor Debts ſhall be diſcharged, will be the moſt effectual Means to remedy thoſe Miſchiefs and Diſorders. And thereupon the ſaid Petitioners prayed this Aſſembly to take the ſame into Conſideration, and paſs an Act, or provide ſuch other Remedy as may remove the Difficulties before mentioned, as ſhall be thought beſt.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That Meſſrs. *George Jackſon*, *John Aplin*, and *Nicholas Brown*, be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to take the ſaid Petition into Conſideration, and to prepare a Bill reſpecting the Matters and Things therein contained; and that they make Report to this Aſſembly as ſoon as conveniently may be.

WHEREAS *Jonathan Randal*, Eſq; preſented unto this Aſſembly the following Report, *to wit*:

" WHEREAS the General Aſſembly appointed me the Subſcriber to enquire

enquire into the Truth of certain Facts, contained in, and ſet forth in a Petition preferred by *Thomas Weſtcote*, of *Cranſton*, concerning Two Mortgage Deeds by him given to the Colony; I do report, That having enquired into the ſame, I found that the ſaid *Weſtcote* was miſtaken in the ſaid Facts; of which I convinced him, and he hath ſince paid the Money for which the Deed was given.

Jonathan Randal."

And the ſaid Report being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted.

Whereas Mr. *George Lawton*, Keeper of His Majeſty's Gaol in the County of *Newport*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for the Priſon-Fees of *John Shearman*, from the 17th of *September* to the 8th of *December*, being Eleven Weeks and an Half, at Five Pounds per Week: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Fifty-ſeven Pounds, Ten Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *George Lawton* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *William Tripp*, of *Exeter*, in the County of *King's-County*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That ſome Years ſince he bought a Tract of Land, lying in *Exeter*, of *William Eldred*, and mortgaged the ſame to the Colony in Six or Seven Mortgages; which Land he poſſeſſed a few Years, and afterwards, *to wit*, in the Year 1754, or 1755, the ſame was ſeized and ſold by *Beriah Brown*, Eſq; the then Sheriff of the County of *King's-County* aforeſaid, to *Hezekiah Hoar*, who became bound to the ſaid Sheriff and the Petitioner to exchange all the Colony's Mortgages and Bonds, as well Principal as Intereſt, into his own Name: That the ſaid *Hoar*, notwithſtanding his being ſo bound, did not exchange the ſaid Mortgages and Bonds by the Time he became obliged to do the ſame: That in the Year 1758, at *Auguſt* Court, the ſaid *Beriah Brown* commenced an Action againſt the ſaid *Hoar* for the Recovery of Damages, upon Account of the ſaid Colony Money, which was left to a Rule of Court, and Meſſrs. *Chriſtopher Spencer*, *John Waite*, and *Benoni Hall*, were appointed to determine the ſame, who reported, that the ſaid *Beriah Brown* ſhould recover and have of the ſaid *Hoar*, the Sum of Forty-ſix Pounds, as Damages and Coſt of Suit; and alſo the Coſt of a Suit brought by the Colony againſt the Petitioner at *February* Term, 1758. That the ſaid *Hezekiah Hoar* hath not yet taken up all the Colony Bonds, as he was bound to do, but that the Petitioner is now under Arreſt for Part of the ſaid Colony Money, at the preſent *February* Court in *King's-County*; beſides an Execution for upwards of Seventy Pounds againſt him for Part of the ſaid Money: That the ſaid *Hezekiah Hoar* hath ſold Part of the Land he bought as aforeſaid, and is now in Poſſeſſion of the Remainder, which Land the Petitioner is of Opinion ought to be ſeized for the Payment of the ſaid Money: And that he muſt be ſoon committed to Gaol for Money he ought not to pay, unleſs this Aſſembly interpoſe

interpoſe in his Favour. And thereupon he prayed that a Committee may be appointed to enquire into the Circumſtances of the ſaid Affair, and that in the mean Time the ſaid Execution, and all other Proceedings had againſt him, may be ſtayed.

On Conſideration whereof,

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the aforementioned Execution, and all the other aforementioned Proceedings, be ſtayed: And that the aforementioned Mortgage be immediately put in Suit by the Grand Committee.

Whereas *Nathan Rice*, Eſq; late a Member of the Committee of War, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That the Committee who audited his Accounts as One of the Committee of War, made Report thereon to the General Aſſembly, which was held in *February* laſt, that a Balance of £.190 Lawful Money was due upon the ſaid Account from him to the Colony: That it appears by the ſaid Report, that in the latter Part of the Year 1759, there was a Balance due from the Colony to the Petitioner of £.395 19 4 Lawful Money, the Intereſt of which, for Fifteen Months, at 7 per Cent. per Annum, amounts to £.34 12 11 Lawful Money, and is now due to him, and was not allowed in ſaid Account; the Committee who audited the ſame, being of the opinion, that the Intereſt ſhould be ſettled by the General Aſſembly: That in the latter Part of the Year 1758, there was a Balance due to him, including his Commiſſions, of £.1765 8 5 Old Tenor, the Intereſt of which, for One Year, at 10 per Cent. reduced to Lawful Money, amounts to £.9 6 7 which is now due to him, and was not included in that Settlement: That in Conſequence of an Order drawn upon him by the General Treaſurer, he paid Twenty-eight Pounds Lawful Money, which he hath a Receipt for on the ſaid Order, and is not ſettled; all which amount to £.71 19 6 Lawful Money, excluſive of other Demands upon the Colony, which had no Connection with his Accounts as a Member of the Committee of War, and could not be conſidered by the Committee who audited his Accounts; ſo that he hath had but One Part of his Accounts audited: For in *November*, 1760, the Sloop *Mary*, of which the Petitioner was Part Owner, being at *Albany*, was taken into the Colony's Service by the Colonel of the Regiment, who put the ſick Troops and Baggage on board the ſaid Sloop without the Conſent of the Owners or Maſter thereof, whereby the Small-Pox was brought on board the ſaid Sloop, which occaſioned the ſaid Sloop to put into the Harbor of *Stonington* for Relief; where *Benjamin Rice*, the Petitioner's Son, Maſter of the ſaid Sloop, made Information, and moved that the Perſons ſick of the Small-Pox might be taken aſhore, to prevent, if poſſible, the Infection from ſpreading further, which could not be granted: That the ſaid *Benjamin* then applied to Capt. *Thomas Robinſon*, who had had the Small-Pox, and contracted with him to come to *Rhode-Iſland*, with his Brother, *Charles Rice*, (the Mate of the ſaid Sloop) as a Pilot; that he the ſaid *Benjamin* might come forward by Land, in Order that the ſick might be taken Care of as ſoon as they got to *Rhode-Iſland*: That before the Wind and Weather would permit them to

leave the ſaid Harbor of *Stonington*, the Authority there interpoſed, and by a Warrant, on the 10th Day of *December*, 1760, took the Petitioner's Son, *Charles Rice*, (who then had the ſole Care and Charge of the ſaid Sloop) out of the ſaid Sloop, with ſundry others who had not then had the Small-Pox, and ſent them by Authority into this Colony; by which Means the ſaid Sloop was left with the Colony's Troops only, who were put on board as aforeſaid: That in the Night, the Wind blowing extreme hard, a Nine-Inch Cable, with which the ſaid *Charles Rice* had left the ſaid Sloop ſafely anchored, was cut off on the Windlaſs, and thereupon the ſaid Sloop was driven on a Reef of Rocks, and wrecked: That the ſaid Sloop was of the Value of £.162 Lawful Money, One Quarter Part of which was the Property of the Petitioner, and of the Value of £.40 10*ſ.* Lawful Money; and the Effects belonging to the Petitioner, which were on board the ſaid Sloop at the Time ſhe was caſt away, and were loſt, were of the Value of £.41 13 11 Lawful Money: That the Small-Pox was brought into his Family by Means of the ſaid Troops being put on board as aforeſaid, which coſt the Petitioner £.63 6 8 Lawful Money; all which Accounts, being the Property of the Petitioner, amount to £.217 7 1 Lawful Money: That One Half of the ſaid Sloop was the Property of his Son, *Benjamin Rice*, and was of the Value of £.81 Lawful Money; and the Effects belonging to the ſaid *Benjamin*, which were on board the ſaid Sloop at the Time ſhe was caſt away, and were loſt, were of the Value of £.21 Lawful Money: That the other Quarter Part of the ſaid Sloop belonged to Mr. *Anthony Aborn*, and was of the Value of £.40 10*ſ.* Lawful Money: That the above Articles are excluſive of the Freight-Money for the Troops and Baggage, which, at the cuſtomary Freight, amounts to £.30 1 6 Lawful Money; and alſo excluſive of Caſh advanced by the ſaid *Benjamin Rice* for Neceſſaries for the ſaid Troops on their Paſſage, £.5 15 6 Lawful Money, which have not yet been paid. And the ſaid *Nathan Rice* further repreſented, That as the ſaid Troops and Baggage were put on board the ſaid Sloop *Mary* without *their* Conſent, by the Chief Officer of the Regiment in the Service of this Colony, and as *their* Intereſt was deſtroyed, and Charges brought on *them* by Means thereof, the Colony ought in Juſtice and Equity to account with *them* for the Loſs and Damage *they* have ſuſtained. And thereupon the ſaid *Nathan Rice* prayed this Aſſembly to order that the juſt Loſſes and Damages ſuſtained by him and his Partners, as ſet forth in his Petition, may be allowed; or that a Committee may be appointed to take the ſaid Accounts into Conſideration, and make a juſt and equitable Settlement of the whole Affair between him and the Colony.

On Conſideration whereof,

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That nothing be allowed to the Petitioner for the abovementioned Sloop and Appurtenances: That of his Account againſt the Colony, the Article of Twenty-five Pounds, Twelve Shillings and Four Pence, One Farthing, Lawful Money, for the Paſſage of the Colony's Troops, and Twenty-eight Pounds Lawful Money paid *Thomas Caſey*, Eſq; be allowed: And that all the other Parts of ſaid Account

Account be diſallowed ; excepting the Charges of Intereſt Money for bringing the Regiment's Baggage, and *Thomas Robinſon*'s Account, which *Joſeph Lippitt*, and *Othniel Gorton*, Eſqrs. and Capt. *Benjamin Greene*, or any Two of them, are hereby appointed to examine ; and that the ſaid Committee make Report to this Aſſembly of what appears to them to be juſtly due thereon, as ſoon as conveniently may be.

WHEREAS the Hon. *Stephen Hopkins*, Eſq; and *Nicholas Tillinghaſt*, and *Darius Seſſions*, Eſqrs. preſented unto this Aſſembly the following Report, *to wit :*

" WE the Subſcribers being appointed by the General Aſſembly, to re-examine the Accounts of *George Brown*, as well with the Colony as with *Thomas Richardſon*, Eſq; the late General Treaſurer, have this Day examined the ſaid *Brown*'s Account, and do find that the Four underwritten Accounts, amounting to Three Hundred and Twenty-five Pounds, Five Shillings, have never been charged to the Colony in his Account with Mr. *Richardſon* : Therefore it appears to us, the above-ſaid Sum ought to be paid to the ſaid *George Brown* out of the General Treaſury ; having no Regard to Judgments which remain unſatisfied.

87 Days Attendance on the Court, as Clerk, from the Year 1745 to 1748, incluſive, at 5*s*.	£. 21	15	0
154 Days ditto, from thence to 1754, at 10*s*.	77	0	0
One Record Book, - - - - - - - - - - -	36	10	0
The Colony's Writs and Executions returned *Non Eſt* at 19 Courts, - - - - - - -	190	0	0
	£. 325	5	0

Witneſs our Hands, at *Providence*, *June* 14th, 1762.

Stephen Hopkins,
Nicholas Tillinghaſt,
Darius Seſſions.

AND the ſaid Report being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted : And that Three Hundred and Twenty-five Pounds, Five Shillings, being the Amount of the ſaid Accounts, be allowed, and paid the ſaid *George Brown* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Simeon Peck*, a Deputy-Sheriff for the County of *Briſtol*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Horſe-hire, and other Expences in making a Journey to *Boſton*, to apprehend One *John Smith*, a Criminal, by Virtue of a Warrant to him directed ; for notifying the Members of the General Aſſembly in the County of *Briſtol*, in *March*, 1762, by Virtue of a Warrant from the Hon. *Stephen Hopkins*, Eſq; and for taking up, and ſearching after ſeveral Deſerters, amounting to Six Pounds, Fourteen Shillings, Lawful Money : And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed ; and that Two Pounds, Fourteen Shillings Lawful Money thereof be paid the ſaid *Simeon Peck* out of the General Treaſury ;

and

and that Four Pounds Lawful Money, the remaining Part thereof, be paid the ſaid *Simeon Peck* by *Shearjaſhub Bourn*, Eſq; a Member of the Committee of War.

WHEREAS *Joſeph G. Wanton*, Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *Newport*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account of the Expence of putting the Fence round the Yard of the Colony-Houſe in *Newport*, and the Building in the ſaid Yard into good Repair; and alſo an Account of the Expence of repairing His Majeſty's Gaol in *Newport*: And the ſaid Accounts being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby are allowed; and that Two Hundred and Forty-four Pounds, Fifteen Shillings and Three Pence, the Amount of the ſaid Accounts, be paid the ſaid *Joſeph G. Wanton* out of the General Treaſury.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That *Martin Howard*, Eſq; and Mr. *Daniel Ruſſell*, be, and they are hereby appointed Directors of the Market and Granary Lottery in *Newport*, in the Room of Major *Jonathan Otis*, and Mr. *Nathaniel Mumford*, who refuſe: And that they have Power to act in the Claſs now filling, as well as in future Claſſes.

WHEREAS *Joſeph Lippitt*, and *Immanuel Northup*, Eſqrs. exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for their Trouble in auditing the Accounts of the Commitee of War in the Year 1760, in *Newport* and *Providence*, 13 Days each, at *£.*8 *per* Day, including Horſe-hire and Expences: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Two Hundred and Eight Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Joſeph Lippitt*, and *Immanuel Northup* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Peleg Barker* exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for the Uſe made of his Houſe by the Judges of the Inferior Court in the County of *Briſtol*, who held the Term there in *January* laſt, and for providing Fire Wood, 4 Days, at *£.*5 *per* Day: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Twenty Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Peleg Barker* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS there is a large Quantity of Cloathing at *Albany*, under the Care of Mr. *Volkert Douw*, *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the Members of the Committee of War in *Newport* be, and they are hereby directed and empowered to order the ſaid *Douw* to ſend all the Cloathing, and every other Thing belonging to the Colony, in his Care, forthwith to *Newport*, excepting ſuch Cloathing as the ſaid *Douw*, and the commanding Officer of the Company in the Colony's Service at Fort *Stanwix*, ſhall think neceſſary for the ſaid Company.

WHEREAS

WHEREAS Capt. *Simeon Potter* preferred a Petition unto this Aſſembly at the laſt Seſſion, which was then referred to the preſent Seſſion, *It is now Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Petition be, and the ſame is referred unto the next Seſſion: That the King's Attorney be ſerved with a Copy thereof, and cited to appear at the next Seſſion to anſwer the ſame: And that in the mean Time the Execution in the ſaid Petition mentioned, and all other Proceedings reſpecting the Matters mentioned in the ſaid Petition, be ſtayed.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That *Thomas Cranſton*, *Daniel Ayrault*, jun. and *Simon Peaſe*, Eſqrs. be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to receive all the Loan Money in the Hands of *Edward Thurſton*, Eſq; Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office, and burn the ſame: That the ſaid Gentlemen be, and they are alſo hereby appointed a Committee to receive all the Lawful Money Bills emitted in the Months of *May* and *December*, in the Year 1758, now in the Hands of the General Treaſurer, which he hath received for Bills of Exchange drawn upon the Colony's Agent in *Great-Britain*, and burn the ſame: And that they make Report to this Aſſembly as ſoon as may be.

WHEREAS *Daniel Walker*, of *Coventry*, in the County of *Kent*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That he was a Soldier in the *Rhode-Iſland* Regiment in the Year 1759: That after the breaking up of the Camp, on his Journey Home, between *Crown-Point* and *No.* 4. through Infirmity of Body, and the Extremity of the Weather, he was rendered incapable of travelling, ſo that before he could reach *No.* 4. he was badly frozen in his Feet, and was otherways ſo much indiſpoſed that he was confined at *No.* 4. until he could ſend Intelligence to his Family; upon receiving which, his Son was obliged to proceed to *No.* 4. to bring him Home: And that the Expences which attended the bringing him Home, and the Expences of his Nurſes and Phyſicians after his Return, amounting to a conſiderable Sum, have been laid before the Committee of War in the ſaid County, who have not paid the ſame. And thereupon the ſaid *Daniel Walker* prayed this Aſſembly to take the ſame into Conſideration, and to order ſuch Reimburſements to be made him as ſhall be thought reaſonable.

On Conſideration whereof,

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Petition be referred to *Thomas Caſey*, Eſq; One of the Members of the Committee of War; that he take the ſeveral Matters and Things therein contained into Conſideration, and make ſuch Allowance as to him ſhall appear juſt and right.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Men belonging to the Fire-Engine in the Town of *Providence*, have the ſame Privileges and Benefits as are granted by Law to the Men belonging to the Engines in the Town of *Newport*.

WHEREAS *Eliſha Brown*, Eſq; late Sheriff of the County of *Providence*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt

the Colony, for Attendance upon the Courts, warning the Members of the General Aſſembly, and for providing Firing for the Courts, when he was Sheriff. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed ; and that One Hundred and Thirteen Pounds, Eighteen Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Eliſha Brown* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas the Committee appointed to ſettle the Accounts of Capt. *William Read* with the Colony, relating the Sale of the Colony's Brigantine, made Report to this Aſſembly at the laſt Seſſion, That there was due to the Colony the Sum of Four Thouſand, Eight Hundred and Twenty-four Pounds, One Shilling and Three Pence ; *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid *William Read* pay the ſaid Sum, or give Bond to the General Treaſurer, by the Firſt Day of *May* next, for the Payment of the ſaid Sum in Six Months, with lawful Intereſt from the Time of making the ſaid Report.

And *it is further Voted and Reſolved*, That if the ſaid *William Read* ſhall neglect paying the ſaid Money, or giving Bond as aforeſaid, that then, and in that Caſe, the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to ſue the ſaid *William Read* for the ſame.

Whereas Mr. *John Hoyle*, jun. exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for victualling and lodging a Party of the Royal Americans, in the Year 1758. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed ; and that the Balance thereof, being Twelve Pounds, Sixteen Shillings, be paid the ſaid *John Hoyle*, jun. by *Gideon Comſtock*, Eſq; One of the Members of the Committee of War.

Whereas Mr. *Samuel May* exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for a large Oval Table placed in the Colony-Houſe in *Providence :* And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed ; and that Seventy Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Samuel May* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas Mr. *Samuel Johnſon* exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Six Days Attendance upon the General Aſſembly, during the preſent Seſſion. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed ; and that Twenty-one Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Samuel Johnſon* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas Mr. *John Hoyle*, jun. exhibited unto this Aſſembly Two Accounts by him charged againſt the Colony ; One for Four Days Attendance on the General Aſſembly, in *March*, 1761 ; and the other for Five Days Attendance upon the General Aſſembly during the preſent Seſſion : And the ſaid Accounts being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and*

and Reſolved, That the ſame be, and hereby are allowed ; and that Twenty-nine Pounds, Ten Shillings, the Amount of them, be paid to the ſaid *John Hoyle*, jun. out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *William Barker* exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Six Chairs placed in the Colony-Houſe in *Providence* : And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed ; and that Thirty-two Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *William Barker* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *Paul Tew*, Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *Providence*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Wood by him provided for the General Aſſembly, and the Inferior Court in the ſaid County ; for providing ſundry Neceſſaries for the Colony-Houſe in the ſaid County ; for his Attendance upon the General Aſſembly, *&c.* And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed ; and that One Hundred and Thirty-four Pounds, Ten Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Paul Tew* . out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *John Waterman* exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for a Room in his Houſe for the Upper Houſe of Aſſembly to ſit in during the preſent Seſſion, Six Days, and for providing Fire-wood : And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed ; and that Forty Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *John Waterman* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Benjamin Gorham* exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Six Days Attendance upon the General Aſſembly, during the preſent Seſſion : And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed ; and that Twenty-one Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Benjamin Gorham* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS his Honor the Governor, in Purſuance of a Vote of the General Aſſembly paſſed at the laſt Seſſion, did lay before this Aſſembly a State of the Affair of the Sugars condemned at *Providence* in *April*, 1761 : And the ſaid Report of his Honor the Governor being read, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is referred to the next Seſſion : And that in the mean Time Mr. *John Aplin* be, and he is hereby requeſted and empowered to draw up a compleat State of all the Controverſies between the Government and the Cuſtom-Houſe Officers, and lay the ſame before this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion, in order to be ſent Home.

WHEREAS

WHEREAS Mr. *William Bradford*, One of the Committee appointed to proſecute for Forfeitures due to the Government, exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Expences in making a Journey to *Providence*, in *July*, 1761, reſpecting certain Sugars condemned in the Court of Vice-Admiralty, in *April*, 1761 : in attending Four Days upon the Court held in the County of *King's County*, upon the Suit brought by the Colony againſt *Allin Brown*, Eſq; and for the Fee of the Jury in the ſaid Suit : And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed ; and that Thirty Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *William Bradford* out of the General Treaſury.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion : That the Secretary publiſh all the Acts and Orders, now made and paſſed, by Beat of Drum in the Town of *Newport*, in Ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, and within Thirty ſend Copies of the ſame to each Town-Clerk in the Colony : And that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned to the Firſt Monday in *May* next, if called at that Time, but if not called before, nor at ſaid Day, then this Aſſembly ſhall be, and hereby is diſſolved.

GOD Save the KING.

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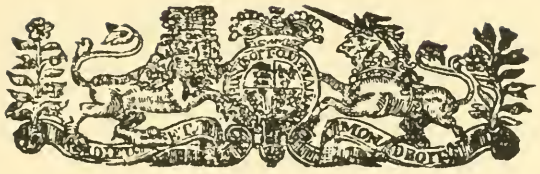

At the GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of RHODE-ISLAND, and PROVIDENCE Plantations, in *New-England*, in *America*; begun and holden at *Newport*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on the Firſt Wedneſday in *May*, in the Year of our LORD One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-three, and Third of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty *GEORGE* the Third, by the Grace of GOD KING of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Hon. SAMUEL WARD, *Eſq*; *Governor.*

The Hon. JOHN GARDNER, *Eſq*; *Deputy-Governor.*

JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq;
NICHOLAS EASTON, Eſq;
NICHOLAS TILLINGHAST, Eſq;
DARIUS SESSIONS, Eſq;
ROBERT LAWTON, Eſq;
} Aſſiſtants.

NATHANIEL SEARLE, Eſq;
JOSEPH HARRIS, Eſq;
CALEB ALLEN, Eſq;
HENRY GARDNER, Eſq;
SAMUEL GREENE, Eſq;
} Aſſiſtants.

The SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES from the ſeveral Towns.

NEWPORT;
Mr. *Gideon Wanton*, jun.
Mr. *John Wanton*, (Son of *Gideon*)
George Hazard, Eſq;
Mr. *Benjamin Greene*,
Daniel Ayrault, jun. Eſq;
Capt. *William Read.*

PROVIDENCE;
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq;
Mr. *George Jackſon*,
James Angell, Eſq;
Mr. *Eſeck Hopkins.*

PORTSMOUTH;

PORTSMOUTH ;
John Shearman, jun. Eſq;
David Anthony, Eſq;
Mr. *Thomas Brownel*,
Mr. *Enoch Butts*.
WARWICK ;
Philip Greene, Eſq;
Othniel Gorton, Eſq;
Col. *James Arnold*,
Mr. *Abraham Chace*.
WESTERLY ;
Col. *William Pendleton*,
Mr. *George Sheffield*.
NEW-SHOREHAM ;
Capt. *Edward Sands*,
John Littlefield, Eſq;
NORTH-KINGSTOWN ;
Mr. *Ezekiel Gardner*,
Mr. *Samuel Boone*, jun.
SOUTH-KINGSTOWN ;
Mr. *Rowland Robinſon*,
Mr. *Stephen Haſzard*, jun.
EAST-GREENWICH ;
Major *John Arnold*,
Thomas Aldrich, Eſq;
JAMESTOWN ;
Mr. *Iſaac Howland*,
Mr. *Nicholas Carr*.
SMITHFIELD ;
Mr. *Caleb Aldrich*,
Mr. *Stephen Whipple*.
SCITUATE ;
Job Randal, Eſq;
Charles Harris, Eſq;
GLOUCESTER ;
Richard Steere, Eſq;
Mr. *Jonathan Harris*.
CHARLESTOWN ;
Robert Potter, Eſq;
John Champlin, Eſq;
WEST-GREENWICH ;
Capt. *Charles Carr*,
Benjamin Tillinghaſt, Eſq;
COVENTRY ;
Caleb Greene, Eſq;
Obadiah Johnſon, Eſq;
EXETER ;
Capt. *John Raynolds*,
John Chapman, Eſq;
MIDDLETOWN ;
Mr. *James Barker*, jun.
William Baley, Eſq;
BRISTOL ;
Mr. *William Bradford*,
Capt. *Simeon Potter*.
TIVERTON ;
Mr. *Jonathan Davel*,
Samuel Durfee, Eſq;
LITTLE-COMPTON ;
William Hall, Eſq;
Oliver Hilyard, Eſq;
WARREN ;
Mr. *Cromell Child*,
Major *Nathaniel Peck*.
CUMBERLAND ;
John Dexter, Eſq;
Job Bartlet, Eſq;
RICHMOND ;
Capt. *Benjamin Barber*,
Mr. *David Potter*.
CRANSTON ;
Mr. *Matthew Manchester*,
Capt. *Richard Searle*, jun.
HOPKINTON ;
Joſhua Clarke, Eſq;
John Maxſon, jun. Eſq;
JOHNSTON ;
Mr. *Andrew Harris*.

JOHN DEXTER, Eſq; was choſen Speaker, and
JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

THIS being the anniverſary Election of Officers, both Civil and Military, the Gentlemen whoſe Names are ſet down in the ſubſequent Liſt, were choſen to ſerve the Colony in the Offices aſcribed to their reſpective Names, *to wit :*

The

The Hon. STEPHEN HOPKINS, Eſq; Governor ; Engaged.
The Hon. JOHN GARDNER, Eſq; Deputy Governor ; Engaged.
James Honyman, Eſq; Firſt Aſſiſtant ; Engaged.
Peleg Thurſton, Eſq; Second Aſſiſtant ; Engaged.
Nicholas Tillinghaſt, Eſq; Third Aſſiſtant ; Engaged.
Darius Seſſions, Eſq; Fourth Aſſiſtant ; Engaged.
Jonathan Freeborn, Eſq; Fifth Aſſiſtant.
Joſeph Lippitt, Eſq; Sixth Aſſiſtant ; Engaged.
Jonathan Randal, Eſq; Seventh Aſſiſtant ; Engaged.
Samuel Brownel, jun. Eſq; Eighth Aſſiſtant ; Engaged.
Joſeph Haſzard, Eſq; Ninth Aſſiſtant ; Engaged.
Thomas Church, Eſq; Tenth Aſſiſtant ; Engaged.
Henry Ward, Eſq; Secretary ; Engaged.
Auguſtus Johnſton, Eſq; Attorney General ; Engaged.
Joſeph Clarke, Eſq; General Treaſurer ; Engaged.

Jonathan Freeborn, Eſq; having refuſed, *John Almy*, Eſq; is choſen the Fifth Aſſiſtant, in his Room. Engaged.

Edward Scott, Eſq;	Chief	Juſtice of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Newport*.
Jonathan Freeborn, Eſq;	2d	
John Shearman, jun. Eſq;	3d	
Samuel Durfee, Eſq;	4th	
Thomas Gould, Eſq;	5th	

Daniel Jenckes, Eſq;	Chief	Juſtice of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Providence*.
Job Randal, Eſq;	2d	
Thomas Lapham, Eſq;	3d	
Jeremiah Whipple, Eſq;	4th	
Thomas Arnold, Eſq;	5th	

Stephen Haſzard, Eſq;	Chief	Juſtice of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *King's County*.
Immanuel Northup, Eſq;	2d	
Chriſtopher Champlin, Eſq;	3d	
Benoni Hall, Eſq;	4th	
Nathan Tefft, Eſq;	5th	

William Monroe, Eſq;	Chief	Juſtice of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Briſtol*.
Nathaniel Pearce, Eſq;	2d	
Ebenezer Cole, Eſq;	3d	
Joſeph Reynolds, Eſq;	4th	
Joſiah Humphry, Eſq;	5th	

Philip Greene, Eſq;	Chief	Juſtice of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Kent*.
William Spencer, Eſq;	2d	
Othniel Gorton, Eſq;	3d	
Caleb Greene, Eſq;	4th	
Samuel Hopkins, Eſq;	5th	

John

John Grelea, jun. Eſq; Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, within and for the County of *Newport*.

Caleb Harris, Eſq; Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, within and for the County of *Providence*.

Freeman Perry, Eſq; Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, within and for the County of *King's County*.

Samuel Church, Eſq; Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, within and for the County of *Briſtol*.

Benjamin Spencer, (Son of *William*) Eſq; Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Goal Delivery, within and for the County of *Kent*.

Joſias Lyndon, Eſq; Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Newport*.

Mr. *George Jackſon*, Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Providence*.

Mr. *Stephen Haſzard*, jun. Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *King's County*.

Royal Payne, Eſq; Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Briſtol*.

Daniel Howland, Eſq; Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Kent*.

Samuel Brenton, Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *Newport*.

Allin Brown, Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *Providence*.

Beriah Brown, Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *King's County*.

John Brown, Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *Briſtol*.

Henry Rice, Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *Kent*.

The Hon. *Gideon Wanton*, Eſq; *Edward Thurſton*, *John Jepſon*, *Samuel Chace*, *James Arnold*, and *Nicholas Eaſton*, Eſqrs. the Grand Committee, or Colony's Truſtees, for ſigning Bills of Public Credit.

And the aforeſaid *Edward Thurſton* is choſen, and eſpecially appointed to take, and have the Care and Charge of the Colony's Mortgages and Bonds for Tenths, and to receive the Money due, and to be due thereon: And alſo to make and give proper Acquittances and Diſcharges upon the Mortgages, or otherwiſe, when he receives any of the Colony's Money: And in Caſe of Non-Payment, to put in Suit the Bonds and Mortgages of all ſuch as refuſe or neglect to make due Payment.

And the ſame *Edward Thurſton*, is choſen General Sealer of Weights and Meaſures throughout the Government.

Henry Paget, Eſq; Public Notary for the Town and County of *Providence*.

Juſtices

Juſtices of the Peace in the ſeveral Towns.

NEWPORT ;
Martin Howard,
Samuel Collins,
Charles Bardin,
Peter Eaſton,
Henry Ward,
Barnabas Hargill,
Daniel Goddard,
John Grelea, *jun.*
John Davis, *jun.*
Jonathan Eaſton,
James Milward,
John Butt,
Jonathan Rogers,
John Pitman, *Eſquires.*
PROVIDENCE ;
Joſeph Snow,
Ebenezer Jenckes,
James Angell,
Samuel Chace,
Stephen Rawſon,
Joſeph Naſh,
Benjamin Man, *Eſquires.*
PORTSMOUTH ;
Joſeph Shearman, *jun.*
Samuel Pearce, *jun.*
Clarke Cornell,
Reſtcome Sanford,
Sampſon Shearman, *Eſquires.*
WARWICK ;
John Warner, *jun.*
Barlo Green,
Ebenezer Slocum,
Samuel Gorton, (*Son of* Samuel)
Thomas Rice,
Eliſha Wightman, *Eſquires.*
WESTERLY ;
John Larkin,
Joſhua Thompſon,
Thomas Gardner,
Joſeph Crandal,
Iſaac Babcock, *Eſquires.*
NORTH-KINGSTOWN ;
Nicholas Northup, *jun.*
William Hall, (*Son of Robert*)
Benjamin Jefferſon,
Ephraim Gardner, *jun.*
Jeremiah Gardner, *jun.*
Iſhmael Spink,
Samuel Hunt, *jun.*
John Congdon, *jun. Eſquires.*
SOUTH-KINGSTOWN ;
John Caſe,
John Lillibridge,
John Sheldon,
Jeremiah Crandal,
Adam Gould, *Eſquires.*
EAST-GREENWICH ;
Samuel Sowle,
George Vaughan,
Thomas Shippey,
Job Comſtock,
James Wightman,
Silveſter Sweet,
Jonathan Johnſon, *Eſquires.*
SMITHFIELD ;
William Arnold,
Thomas Steere,
Daniel Mowrey,
Samuel Windſor,
Stephen Sly,
Daniel Mowrey, *jun. Eſquires.*
SCITUATE ;
Gideon Harris,
Charles Harris,
John Fiſke,
Jeremiah Angell,
Benjamin Slack,
Timothy Hopkins,
Thomas Brown,
Oliver Weſtcot,
Joſiah Bennet, *Eſquires.*
GLOUCESTER ;
Andrew Brown,
Timothy Wilmarth,
Iſrael Arnold,
Benjamin Smith,
Jonathan Harris,
Iſrael Sayles,
Zebedee Hopkins, *jun. Eſquires.*
CHARLESTOWN ;
Benjamin Hoxſie,
Simeon Perry,
Iſrael Stiles,
James Kinyon, *Eſquires.*

WEST-GREENWICH;
William Comſtock,
Oliver Mius,
Chadadiah Ayleſworth,
Thomas Rogers,
David Hopkins,
William Nichols, *Eſquires.*

COVENTRY;
Joſeph Bennett,
John Rice,
Obadiah Johnſon,
Edward Caſey,
Ichabod Bowen,
Elkanah Johnſon, jun. *Eſquires.*

EXETER;
Job Tripp,
William Weight,
Jeoffry Wilcox,
David Stanton,
William Hall, *Eſquires.*

MIDDLETOWN;
Joſhua Coggeſhall, *jun.*
John Barker,
Joſeph Peabody,
Giles Sandford,
John Gould, *jun. Eſquires.*

BRISTOL;
Joſeph Read,
William Hoar,
George Coggeſhall,
William Cox,
Stephen Wardwell, *Eſquires.*

TIVERTON;
Samuel Hicks,
Reſtcome Sanford,
Thomas Anthony,
Gideon Wilcox,
Oliver Cooke,
John Jennings, *Eſquires.*

LITTLE-COMPTON;
Conſtant Southworth,
Aaron Wilbore,
Henry Wood,
William Richmond, *jun. Eſqrs.*

WARREN;
Thomas Cole,
Edward Boſworth,
Benjamin Cole,
Joſhua Bicknall,
Barnet Miller, *Eſquires.*

CUMBERLAND;
John Dexter,
Job Bartlet,
Robert Aldrich,
Uriah Jillſon,
Joſeph Davis,
Nathaniel Robinſon,
Stephen Brown, *Eſquires.*

RICHMOND;
Samuel Tefft,
Sylveſter Kinyon,
Edward Perry,
Enoch Lewis,
William Pettys, *Eſquires.*

CRANSTON;
William Burton,
Jeremiah Field,
Caleb Potter,
John Pain,
Stephen Sheldon, *Eſquires.*

HOPKINTON;
Benjamin Barber,
Lawton Palmer,
John Latham,
Joſeph Collins,
John Burdick, *Eſquires.*

JOHNSTON;
Henry Harris,
Edward Sheldon,
Joſiah King,
Abraham Belknap, *Eſquires.*

Samuel Carr, Captain of Fort *George.*

BOTH Houſes being ſtill in a Grand Committee, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That for the future there be no Lieutenant of the Fort choſen.

THAT *Nicholas Tillinghaſt*, *Auguſtus Johnſton*, and *Othniel Gorton*, Eſqrs. and Meſſrs. *Stephen Haſzard*, jun. and *Simeon Potter*, be, and they,

they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to count the Proxy-Votes, which were put in in *April*, 1762, for *Samuel Greene*, and *Thomas Church*, Eſqrs. who were then Candidates for the Office of Tenth Aſſiſtant for this Colony; and that they make Report to this Aſſembly immediately.

That the Secretary, the Clerk of the Lower Houſe, and *Thomas Cranſton*, Eſq; be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to count the Votes put in in *April*, 1762, for the Office of Deputy-Governor, and Aſſiſtants, where there was an Oppoſition; and that they make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

And That the Proxy-Votes put in in the Year 1761, and the preſent Year, be delivered to the Clerk of the Lower Houſe; and that he be, and he is hereby directed to burn them immediately.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That *Joſeph Hazard*, Eſq; Major *Ebenezer Brenton*, and Mr. *Chriſtopher Robinſon*, be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to receive of the late Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *King's County*, the Seal, Records, Files of Papers, and every Thing elſe belonging to ſaid Office, and deliver them to the preſent Clerk of the ſaid Court, giving and taking Receipts for the ſame.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That *Nicholas Tillinghaſt*, and *James Angell*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *Nicholas Brown*, be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to receive of the late Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, and of the late Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Providence*, the Seals, Books of Record, Files of Papers, and every Thing elſe belonging to the ſaid Offices reſpectively, and deliver them to the preſent reſpective Clerks of the ſaid Courts, giving and taking Receipts for the ſame.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That *Peleg Thurſton*, Eſq; and Meſſrs. *Pardon Tillinghaſt*, and *Edward Thurſton*, jun. be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to receive from the late Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, within and for the County of *Newport*, the Seal, Books of Record, Files of Papers, and every Thing elſe belonging to ſaid Office, and deliver them to the preſent Clerk of the ſaid Court, giving and taking Receipts for the ſame.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That Meſſrs. *William Bradford*, and *Simeon Monroe*, and *Stephen Wardwell*, Eſq; be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to receive from the late Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, and of the late Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas,

Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Briſtol*, the Seals, Books of Record, Files of Papers, and every Thing elſe belonging to the ſaid Offices reſpectively, and deliver them to the preſent reſpective Clerks of the ſaid Courts, giving and taking Receipts for the ſame.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That *Othniel Gorton*, *Thomas Aldrich*, and *Nathan Rice*, Eſqrs. be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to receive from the late Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, and from the late Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Kent*, the Seals, Books of Record, Files of Papers, and every Thing elſe belonging to the ſaid Offices reſpectively, and deliver them to the preſent reſpective Clerks of the ſaid Courts, giving and taking Receipts for the ſame.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Gentlemen whoſe Names hereafter follow, be, and they are hereby appointed to audit the Accounts of the Committee of War for the laſt Year, *to wit :* Col. *Job Bennet*, and Meſſrs. *Walter Cranſton*, and *Solomon Townſend*, the Accounts of *Thomas Cranſton*, *John Jepſon*, and *John Bours*, Eſqrs.----*Nicholas Cooke*, and *James Angell*, Eſqrs, and Mr. *John Jenckes*, the Accounts of *Gideon Comſtock*, Eſq; and Mr. *George Jackſon*.----*Joſeph Hazard*, *Rowland Robinſon*, and *Simeon Perry*, Eſqrs. the Accounts of *Robert Potter*, *Nicholas Gardner*, and *Thomas Potter*, Eſqrs.----*Joſeph Lippitt*, *Othniel Gorton*, and *Daniel Howland*, Eſqrs. the Accounts of *Thomas Caſey*, Eſq;-----*Royal Pain*, Eſq; and Meſſrs. *William Pearce*, and *Cromell Child*, the Accounts of *Shearjaſhub Bourn*, Eſq;----That the major Part of each Committee be empowered to do the ſaid Buſineſs : And that they perform the ſame, without Fail, by the Tenth Day of *June* next ; and make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

And *it is further Voted and Reſolved*, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed not to iſſue out any more Money to any of the Members of the Committee of War, until further Orders from this Aſſembly.

Whereas *Thomas Cranſton*, *Daniel Ayrault*, jun. and *Simon Peaſe*, Eſqrs. were appointed by this Aſſembly, at the laſt Seſſion, a Committee to receive all the Loan Money in the Hands of *Edward Thurſton*, Eſq; Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office, and burn the ſame : And alſo to receive and burn all the Lawful Money Bills emitted in the Months of *May* and *December*, 1758, in the Hands of the General Treaſurer, received for Bills of Exchange drawn by him upon the Colony's Agent in *Great-Britain :* And the ſaid Committee not having done the ſame, *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That his Honor the Deputy Governor, and Mr. *Nathaniel Mumford*, be added to the abovenamed Gentlemen ; and that they, or the major Part of them, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to perform ſaid Buſineſs as ſoon as conveniently may be ; and that they make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

It

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That *James Honyman*, *Nicholas Tillinghaſt*, and *James Angell*, Eſqrs. be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to receive of the Hon. *Samuel Ward*, Eſq; the late Governor of this Colony, the Charter, and every Thing elſe in his Hands, belonging to the Colony, and deliver them to his Honor the preſent Governor, giving and taking Receipts for the ſame.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That Meſſrs. *George Jackſon*, *John Cole*, and *Benjamin Greene*, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of *Daniel Jenckes*, Eſq; and Mr. *William Wheaton*, reſpecting the Sum of Ten Thouſand Pounds, granted by the General Aſſembly, at the Seſſion held in *June* laſt, towards finiſhing the Court-Houſe in *Providence*; and make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That Col. *Joſeph Wanton*, and Meſſrs. *John Warren*, and *Robert Carr*, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to receive from the late Captain of Fort *George*, all the Stores belonging to the ſaid Fort, and deliver them to the preſent Captain of the ſaid Fort, giving and taking Receipts for the ſame.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That Mr. *Iſrael Brayton* be, and he hereby is appointed a Director of the Market and Granary Lottery, in the Town of *Newport*, in the Room of *Martin Howard*, Eſq; who refuſed.

WHEREAS the General Aſſembly, at the Seſſion held in *March*, 1762, ordered the following Sums of Lawful Money to be paid out of the General Treaſury, *to wit*: To *Joſeph Eddy*, Seven Pounds One Shilling; to *Jonah Steere*, Seven Pounds One Shilling; to *Jonathan Harris*, Seven Pounds Seven Shillings; to *Timothy Wilmarth*, Seven Pounds One Shilling; and to *Oliver Arnold*, Six Pounds Fifteen Shillings: Which Sums have not yet been paid: *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to the aforenamed Gentlemen the aforeſaid Sums, out of the Lawful Money lodged in the General Treaſury for the Payment of the Bounties to the Recruits for the Regular Regiments.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That all the Soldiers who have been raiſed by this Colony for the *Rhode-Iſland* Regiments, and have deſerted at any Time heretofore from the ſame, ſhall be forgiven the Crime of Deſertion, upon their paying, or cauſing to be paid, to the General Treaſurer of this Colony, all the Money they have received of the Committee of War before they marched from the Colony.

AND *it is further Voted and Reſolved*, That all the Laws made by this Colony for the apprehending Deſerters, be, and they are hereby repealed.

WHEREAS Mr. *Jonathan Jeffers* exhibited unto this Aſſemby, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Five Days Attendance upon this Aſſembly, during the preſent Seſſion: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Seventeen Pounds Ten Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Jonathan Jeffers* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *Ebenezer Tyler*, a Deſerter, now in His Majeſty's Gaol in the County of *Kent*, is ſo extreme poor, that he is not able to make the Colony any Satisfaction; *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid *Ebenezer Tyler* be diſcharged from Gaol, and releaſed from any Demands for what he hath received from the Colony.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *Samuel Brown*, and *Thomas Baley*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for their Attendance upon this Aſſembly during the preſent Seſſion, Five Days each. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Thirty-five Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Samuel Brown*, and *Thomas Baley*, out of the General Treaſury.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, *That the Printer at* Newport, *and alſo the Printer at* Providence, *ſend to the Clerk of the Lower Houſe, the Terms that each of them will print the Colony's Buſineſs at, and that he that will do it for the leaſt, ſhall have the Buſineſs, and if equal, the Printer at* Newport *ſhall have the Preference.*

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That all the Officers who were to have been choſen at this Seſſion of Aſſembly, and were not, be, and they are hereby continued in their reſpective Offices until the next Seſſion, with as full Power, and ample Authority, as they have at any Time had ſince their firſt Appointment.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion. That the Secretary publiſh the Acts and Orders now made and paſſed, by Beat of Drum, in the Town of *Newport*, within Ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, and within Thirty, ſend Copies of the ſame to each Town-Clerk in the Colony. And that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned to the Second Monday in *June*, then to ſit in the Town of *Newport*

GOD Save the KING.

PUBLISHED according to Order, on the Sixteenth Day of *May*, 1763,

By HENRY WARD, *Secr'y.*

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WITNESS, Henry Ward Secr'y

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At the GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of RHODE-ISLAND, and PROVIDENCE Plantations, in *New-England*, in *America*; begun and holden by Adjournment at *Newport*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on the Second Monday in *June*, in the Year of our LORD One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-three, and Third of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty *GEORGE* the Third, by the Grace of GOD, KING of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth

PRESENT,

The Hon. STEPHEN HOPKINS, *Eſq*; *Governor.*

The Hon: JOHN GARDNER, *Eſq*; *Deputy-Governor.*

JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq;
PELEG THURSTON, Eſq;
NICHOLAS TILLINGHAST, Eſq;
DARIUS SESSIONS, Eſq;
JOHN ALMY, Eſq;
} Aſſiſtants.

JOSEPH LIPPITT, Eſq;
JONATHAN RANDALL, Eſq;
SAMUEL BROWNELL, Eſq;
JOSEPH HAZARD, Eſq;
THOMAS CHURCH, Eſq;
} Aſſiſtants.

The SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES from the ſeveral Towns.

The Hon. JOHN DEXTER, Eſq; Speaker.

NEWPORT,
Mr. *Gideon Wanton*, jun.
Mr. *John Wanton*, (Son of *Gideon*)
George Hazard, Eſq;
Mr *Benjamin Greene*,
Daniel Ayrault, jun. Eſq;
Capt. *William Read*.

PROVIDENCE;
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq,
Mr. *George Jackſon*,
James Angell, Eſq;
Mr. *Eſeck Hopkins*.

PORTSMOUTH;

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John Shearman, jun. Eſq;
David Anthony, Eſq;
Mr. *Thomas Brownel*,
Mr. *Enoch Butts*.
WARWICK ;
Philip Greene, Eſq;
Othniel Gorton, Eſq;
Col. *James Arnold*,
Mr. *Abraham Chace*.
WESTERLY ;
Mr. *George Sheffield*.
NEW-SHOREHAM ;
Capt. *Edward Sands*,
John Littlefield, Eſq;
NORTH-KINGSTOWN ;
Mr. *Ezekiel Gardner*,
Mr. *Samuel Boone*, jun.
SOUTH-KINGSTOWN ;
Mr. *Rowland Robinſon*,
Mr. *Stephen Haſzard*, jun.
EAST-GREENWICH ;
Major *John Arnold*,
Thomas Aldrich, Eſq;
JAMESTOWN ;
Mr. *Iſaac Howland*,
Mr. *Nicholas Carr*.
SMITHFIELD ;
Mr. *Caleb Aldrich*,
Mr. *Stephen Whipple*.
SCITUATE ;
Job Randall, Eſq;
GLOUCESTER ;
Richard Steere, Eſq;
Mr. *Jonathan Harris*.
CHARLESTOWN ;
Robert Potter, Eſq;
WEST-GREENWICH ;
Capt. *Charles Carr*,
Benjamin Tillinghaſt, Eſq;
COVENTRY ;
Caleb Greene, Eſq;
Obadiah Johnſon, Eſq;
EXETER ;
Capt. *John Raynolds*,
John Chapman, Eſq;
MIDDLETOWN ;
Mr. *James Barker*, jun.
William Baley, Eſq;
BRISTOL ;
Mr. *William Bradford*,
Capt. *Simeon Potter*.
TIVERTON ;
Mr. *Jonathan Davel*,
Samuel Durfee, Eſq;
LITTLE-COMPTON ;
William Hall, Eſq;
Oliver Hilyard, Eſq;
WARREN ;
Mr. *Cromell Child*,
Major *Nathaniel Peck*,
CUMBERLAND ;
The Speaker.
Job Bartlet, Eſq;
RICHMOND ;
Capt. *Benjamin Barber*,
Mr. *David Potter*.
CRANSTON ;
Mr. *Matthew Manchester*,
Capt. *Richard Searle*, jun.
HOPKINTON ;
Joſhua Clarke, Eſq;
JOHNSTON ;
Mr. *John Brown*.
Mr. *Andrew Harris*.

JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

WHEREAS *Simeon Perry*, and *Joſeph Hazard*, Eſqrs. who were appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of *Robert Potter*, Eſq; One of the Members of the Committee of War, preſented unto this Aſſembly a State of his Account, together with their Report thereon, and alſo an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, as follows, *viz.*

Colony

Colony of Rhode-Iſland *to* Robert Potter ---- *Dr.*

1762. *Dec.* 1.	To Caſh paid *Peleg Peckham* and *James Meavos*,	£.	15	0	0	
20.	To ditto paid *John Derrick*,		15	0	0	
20.	To ditto paid *Jonathan Naſh*,		15	0	0	
20.	To ditto paid *James Pendleton*,		15	0	0	
Nov. 8.	To ditto paid *Stephen Lampheare*,		3	2	6	
27.	To ditto paid *Joſeph Eggleſtone*,		1	12	0	
Dec. 9.	To ditto paid *Benjamin Hopkins*,		16	1	8	
	To ditto paid *Jeremiah Crandal*,		15	0	0	
11.	To ditto paid *Nathaniel Johnſon*,		15	0	0	
						£. 110 16 2
27.	To ditto paid *Peleg Edwards*,	£.	17	15	4	
28.	To ditto paid *Edward Greenman*,		1	0	0	
1763. *Jan.* 8.	To ditto paid *Ichabod Cloſſon*,		0	16	0	
15.	To ditto paid *Nathaniel Lewis*,		3	0	0	
24.	To ditto paid *John Barber*,		0	8	0	
Feb. 8.	To ditto paid *Moſes Robins*,		1	12	3	
April 9.	To dit. paid *Joſ. Walker*, for his Brother,		1	16	0	
14.	To ditto paid *Joſeph Clarke*, jun.		4	12	0	
	To ditto paid *James Bliven*,		1	0	0	
						31 19 7
	To ditto paid Capt. *Giles Ruſſell*,	£.	70	14	6	
	To ditto paid Lt. *Hezekiah Saunders*,		54	14	9	
	To ditto paid Enſign *John Teffi*,		38	10	10	
	To ditto paid *Nathan Siſſon*,		20	1	8	
	To ditto paid *John Henmen*,		20	6	8	
	To ditto paid *Nathaniel Potter*,		20	6	8	
	To ditto paid *John Palmiter*,		20	6	8	
	To ditto paid *Oliver Lewis*,		20	6	8	
						265 8 5
	To ditto paid *Daniel Larkin*,	£.	18	0	0	
	To ditto paid *Gideon Satterly*,		18	6	0	
	To dit. paid *Benj. Randall*, for his Son,		11	11	0	
	To ditto paid *James Bliven*, (Attorney to *Newman Herren*)		15	1	6	
	To ditto paid *Robert Potter*, in Behalf of *John Aſhbo*,		12	13	4	
	To ditto paid *Peter Burdick*, jun. in Behalf of *Oliver Burdick*, deceaſed, - - - - - -		9	4	0	
						84 15 10
	To ditto paid *David Maxſon*, in Behalf of *Caleb Bentley*,		16	5	4	
	To ditto paid *Eliſha Gay*, in Behalf of *Eliſha Brown*, per Order		16	5	4	
	To dit. paid *Wm. Bromley*, for his Son,		12	17	4	
	To ditto paid *Simeon Miner*, in Behalf of *Jabez Billings*,		16	2	8	

To

To ditto paid *Simeon Minor*, for ditto's Son,	£. 9	6	8	
To ditto paid *Peter Champlin*,	16	0	0	
To dit. paid *Elias Carey*, in Behalf of *Tho. Carey*	16	5	4	
				103 2 8
To ditto paid *Peleg Coone*,	£. 16	0	0	
To ditto paid *Jedediah Collins*,	15	18	8	
To ditto paid *Oliver Chafe*, for his Son,	16	5	4	
To ditto paid ditto --- for ditto	15	14	8	
To ditto paid *Waite Crumb*, - - -	16	5	4	
To ditto paid *Samuel Ward*, Esq; for *R. Clarke*,	9	18	8	
To ditto paid *James Bliven*, for *Edw. Clarke*,	13	12	0	
To ditto paid *Peter Crandal*, for his Son,	14	5	4	
To ditto paid *Jedediah Collins*, for *Caleb Clarke*,	1	10	0	
				119 10 0
To ditto paid *Elias Thompson* and *James Babcock*, for *Stephen Clarke*,	£. 7	18	8	
To ditto paid *Philip Driskill*,	16	5	4	
To ditto paid *Pain Edward*.	16	5	4	
To ditto paid *John Hawke*,	16	1	4	
To ditto paid *Edward Greenman* and *Robert Potter*, for *James Henmen*,	9	8	0	
To ditto paid *Thomas Hall*, for his Son,	10	14	8	
To ditto paid *Harry Hazard*,	15	14	8	
To dit. paid *Rob. Brand*, for *Nath. Lampheare*,	16	5	4	
To ditto paid *David Maxson*, for *Joel Maxson*,	10	6	8	
				119 0 0
To ditto paid *Caleb Niles*, - - -	£. 16	5	4	
To ditto paid *Jeremiah Newberry*,	16	5	4	
To ditto paid *Nathan Nash*, - - -	14	16	0	
To ditto paid *Ebenezer Potter*, - -	16	5	4	
To ditto paid *Eunice Greenman*, for her *Negro*,	10	8	0	
To ditto paid *Daniel Perry*, - - -	15	14	8	
To ditto paid *Rebekah Potheage*, for *Stephen Potheage*, - - - - - - -	9	6	8	
To ditto paid *Jeremiah Browning*, for *Simon Pomp*, - - - - - - -	10	2	8	
To ditto paid *Nathaniel Dodge*, for *Peter Peachman*, - - - - - - - -	8	4	0	
				117 8 0
To dit. paid *Nath. Dennison*, for *Amos Ford*,	£. 10	14	8	
To ditto paid *Thomas Ross*, for his Son,	11	6	8	
To ditto paid *Rob. Potter*, for *Dan. Robin*,	9	8	0	
To ditto paid *John Simon*, for his Son,	12	3	8	
To ditto paid *Joseph Clarke*, for *Comfort Shaw*,	16	5	4	
To ditto paid *David Schesuck*, for his Son,	10	6	8	
To ditto paid *Mercy Sowers*, for her Husband,	11	12	0	
To ditto paid *Francis West* and *Joshua Clarke*, for *Edmond Smith*, - - -	9	14	0	
				91 11 8

To

To ditto paid *Edith Thorn*, for her Husband,	£.	14	0	0		
To ditto paid *John Tewby*,		16	5	4		
To ditto paid *Peleg Croſs*, for *Robert Trim*,		11	10	8		
To ditto paid *Edward Bliven*, for *John Wood*,		16	0	0		
To ditto paid *James Babcock*, for *John Waggs*,		9	5	4		
To dit. paid *David Maxſon*, for *E. Lampheare*,		9	13	4		
To ditto paid Lieut. *Edward Croſs*,		50	10	1		
To ditto paid *Nathan Coone*, - - -		18	16	8		
To ditto paid *Nathan Coone*, jun.		15	1	4		
To ditto paid *Amos Coone*, - -		15	1	4		
					176	4 1
To ditto paid *Stephen Lampheare*,	£.	14	14	8		
To ditto paid *Tho. Browning*, for *W. Fairfield*,		14	5	4		
To ditto paid *Joſeph Harvey*, - -		16	14	10		
To ditto paid *Jonathan Kinyon* and *Jedediah Davis*, for *Daniel Kinyon*, - -		15	17	4		
To ditto paid *Jeſſe Lewis*, - -		14	16	0		
To ditto paid *John Popple*, - -		14	19	6		
To ditto paid *David Wells*, for *A. Satterley*,		14	14	8		
To ditto paid *Derick Wilcox*, - - -		14	13	4		
To ditto paid *John Aſh*, - - - -		16	10	4		
					137	6 0
To ditto paid Lieut. *Moſes Warren*, -	£.	50	10	1		
To ditto paid Lieut. *Thomas Cottrell*, by *Elias Burdick*, by *Cottrell*'s Order,		49	18	2		
To ditto paid *Amos Button*, - - -		15	1	4		
To ditto paid *John Braman*, - - -		15	1	4		
To ditto paid *Benj. Maxſon* and *Thomas Burdick*, for *Zebediah Burdick*, -		15	1	4		
To ditto paid *Thomas Burdick*, - -		18	6	8		
To ditto paid *Jeſſe Burdick*, - - -		14	18	8		
To ditto paid *Amos Babcock*, - - -		14	17	4		
To ditto paid *Jonathan Foſter*, - -		15	1	4		
					209	6 3
To ditto paid *Benjamin Maxſon*, *Stephen Maxſon*, and *David Maxſon*, for *George Griffith*, - - -	£.	15	0	0		
To ditto paid *Jonathan Hadſail*, - -		15	1	4		
To ditto paid *Iſaiah Button*, - - -		15	1	4		
To dit. paid *Aſa Lampheare*, for *J. Lampheare*,		15	1	4		
To ditto paid *Joſhua Lampheare*, - -		15	1	4		
To ditto paid *Gerſhom Mott*, - - -		15	1	4		
To ditto paid *Charles Phillips*, - -		18	13	4		
To ditto paid *Nathan Porter*, - -		14	16	0		
To ditto paid *Chriſtopher Potter*, - -		15	1	4		
To ditto paid *Jacob Parker*, - - -		15	1	4		
To ditto paid *David Randal*, - -		18	16	8		
					172	15 4
To dit. paid *Ruth Reynolds*, for her Husband,	£.	15	1	4		
To ditto paid *William Wilcox*, - -		14	17	4		

To ditto paid *Nathan Tanner*, for *John Tanner*,	14	17	4		
To ditto paid *Joſhua Brown*, for *Amos Brown*,	14	18	8		
To ditto paid *Phinehas Minor* and *David Maxſon*, for *James Sears*,	14	17	4		
To dit. paid *Nathan Tanner*, for *Wm. Steward*,	14	17	4		
To ditto paid *Robert Raynolds*,	14	18	8		
To ditto paid *John Lewis*, for *Tho. Weſconeſs*,	14	18	8		
To ditto paid *Samuel Church*,	18	16	8		
				138	3 4
To ditto paid *Caleb Foſter*,	£. 16	17	6		
To ditto paid *Thomas Stutſon*,	15	0	0		
To ditto paid *Benjamin Roſs* and Maſter,	15	0	0		
To ditto paid *Joſhua Church*,	15	0	0		
To ditto paid *Job Babcock*,	15	0	0		
To ditto paid *John Hall*,	14	16	0		
To ditto paid *Benjamin Petty*'s Wages,	15	0	0		
To ditto paid *J. Woodmanſy*, for *Sylveſter Hall*,	15	1	4		
To ditto paid *Levi Watſon*,	15	1	4		
To ditto paid *Green Bentley* and Maſter,	15	0	0		
				151	16 2
To ditto paid *Giles Ruſſell*,	£. 2	6	2½		
To ditto paid Doctor *Robert Hazard*,	2	18	6		
To ditto paid *Lawton Palmer*, £. 10 Old Ten.	0	10	11		
To ditto paid *G. Ruſſell*, for *James Richardſon*,	4	1	0		
To ditto paid *Tho. Currel*'s Order, in Favour of Col. *Roſe*, for Wages, 1758.	6	19	0		
				16	15 7½
			£.	2045	19 1½
To Commiſſions on the above Sum, at 1½ per Cent.				30	13 9½
To Balance due, as appears by a Certificate from the Secretary, on the Audit of his Accounts for the laſt Year,				816	5 2
			£.	2892	18 0½

Creditor.

By Caſh received of the General Treaſurer,	£.	2870	2	5½
Balance due to *Robert Potter*,		22	15	7
	£.	2892	18	0½

South-Kingſtown, June 2d, 1763.

" We the Subſcribers, with *Rowland Robinſon*, Eſq; being appointed y the Hon. General Aſſembly, to audit the Accounts of the Comittee of War, do report, That we have carefully examined the Acounts of *Robert Potter*, Eſq; (One of the Members of the ſaid Comittee) with the Colony, and find them all well vouched; and that he above and foregoing is a fair State of the ſame, whereby it appears here is a Balance of Twenty-two Pounds Fifteen Shillings and Seven ence Lawful Money due from the Colony to the ſaid *Potter*, including his

his Commiſſions on the Money paid, calculated at One and an Half per Cent. We likewiſe find that he hath given the Colony Credit for all the Money received of the General Treaſurer, as appears by the Treaſurer's Certificate of the 25th of *May*, 1763.

Simeon Perry,
Joſeph Hazard, } Committee.

The Colony of Rhode-Iſland - - - *Dr.*

To our Time in auditing the above Account, 1 Day each, - - - - at £. 6 per Day, - - - } £. 12 0 0

And the Premiſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted: That the Sum of Twenty-two Pounds Fifteen Shillings and Seven Pence Lawful Money, the Balance of the foregoing Account, be paid the ſaid *Robert Potter* out of the General Treaſury; it being in full of all his Accounts againſt the Colony, the former Balance of £. 816 5 2 Lawful Money being included and ſettled in the foregoing Account. That the Account of the Committee be allowed; and that Twelve Pounds Old Tenor, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Simeon Perry* and *Joſeph Hazard* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Othniel Gorton*, and *Daniel Howland*, Eſqrs. preſented unto this Aſſembly the following Report, *to wit:*

Eaſt-Greenwich, the *4th* of *June*, *A. D.* 1763.

"Whereas we the Subſcribers (together with *Joſeph Lippitt*, Eſq;) were appointed by the Hon. the General Aſſembly of the Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, held at *Newport* in *May* laſt, a Committee to audit the Accounts of *Thomas Caſey*, Eſq; One of the Committee of War for the laſt Year, have, in Compliance with ſaid Appointment, made Application to the ſaid *Caſey*, in order to proceed to a Settlement; but he repreſents, That he is not prepared for a Settlement, by Reaſon he has not been able to procure the Money in full upon the Orders given him by the General Treaſurer on the ſeveral Towns' Collectors, which hath prevented his making a full Settlement, ſo as to obtain proper Receipts from ſundry Perſons that he hath advanced conſiderable Sums of Money to. All which is ſubmitted by

Othniel Gorton,
Daniel Howland.

To the Hon. the General Aſſembly, to be held at *Newport* the 13th Inſtant.

On Conſideration whereof,

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted: That the Gentlemen therein mentioned be continued for the Purpoſe for which they were appointed: And that they, or the major Part of them, compleat the Buſineſs, and make Report to this Aſſembly as ſoon as conveniently may be.

Whereas ſeveral of the Inhabitants of the Town of *Providence* preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That the new Street

Street in *Providence*, running directly from the Great Bridge up to the Weſtward, wants a great Deal of filling up and raiſing, to render it commodious, and that if the ſame was put into good paſſable Repair, it would be greatly uſed, as it leads in a direct Line to and from the Bridge. That it is almoſt impoſſible to put the ſaid Street into good Order by the uſual Way of the Inhabitants of the Diſtrict working upon it, as the Diſtrict is ſmall, and have a great Deal of other Repairs upon their Hands. And thereupon they prayed this Aſſembly, That a Lottery may be granted to raiſe the Sum of One Hundred Pounds Lawful Money for the Purpoſe aforeſaid, in One or more Claſſes, as the Directors ſhall think moſt convenient. And that Meſſrs. *Jacob Whitman*, *Knight Dexter*, *Philip Potter*, and *Samuel Low*, all of *Providence*, may be appointed the Directors.

On Conſideration whereof,

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Prayer in the foregoing Petition contained, be, and the ſame is hereby granted, under the ſame Regulations as the Lotteries lately granted for raiſing Money to pave the Streets in *Providence*.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That *Daniel Ayrault*, jun. and *Job Bennet*, jun. Eſqrs. be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of Mr. *John Wanton*, the late Naval Officer, and that they make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Receipt given by Mr. *George Jackſon*, Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Providence*, for the Seal, Books of Record, and other Things belonging to that Office, be lodged in the Secretary's Office.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Receipt given by *Caleb Harris*, Eſq; Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Deliyery, within and for the County of *Providence*, for the Seal, Books of Record, and other Things belonging to that Office, be lodged in the Secretary's Office.

Whereas *Simeon Perry*, and *Joſeph Hazard*, Eſqrs. who were appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of *Thomas Potter*, jun. Eſq; One of the Members of the Committee of War, preſented unto this Aſſembly a State of his Account, together with their Report thereon, and alſo an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, as follows, *to wit :*

The Colony of Rhode-Iſland *to* Thomas Potter, *jun.*--- *Dr.*

	Lawful Money.
To Caſh paid *James Albro*'s Guardian,	£. 13 17 8½
To ditto paid *Clement Raynolds*, - - -	13 11 11
To ditto paid *Robert Albro*, - - - - -	14 19 6½
To ditto paid *Peres Auſtin*, - - - -	14 11 9½

To

To ditto paid *Benedict Church* and Maſter,	£.	12	3	3¼		
Samuel Codner, ...		9	11	8		
					108	19 3¼
To ditto paid *Gregory Cook*, ...	£.	16	17	6		
To ditto paid *Benjamin Coy*, ...		15	12	6½		
To ditto paid *Benjamin Diman*, ...		14	13	1½		
To ditto paid *Caſey Eldred*, ...		14	5	11½		
To ditto paid *Samuel Fones*, ...		18	12	2½		
To ditto paid *Richard Fiſher*, ...		15	16	4¼		
To ditto paid *John Frazer*, ...		14	15	9		
To ditto paid *Henry Gardner*, ...		15	3	11¼		
To ditto paid *Daniel Gardner*, ...		15	3	11½		
To ditto paid *Joſhua George*, ...		14	15	5¼		
					155	16 8½
To ditto paid *Benjamin Gardner* and Father,	£.	13	16	9¾		
To ditto paid *John Goodbid*, ...		14	10	6		
To ditto paid *Samuel Hill*, ...		16	5	9		
To ditto paid *William Hoar* and Maſter, .		11	1	11½		
To ditto paid *John Holloway*, ...		15	0	0		
To ditto paid *Hezekiah Hoar*, ...		12	19	6½		
To ditto paid *Benedict Hamilton*, . . .		17	16	10½		
To ditto paid *Joſeph Hewit*, ...		17	5	6½		
To ditto paid *Samuel Jackways*, ...		17	7	0¼		
To ditto paid *Eliſha Inman*, ...		12	0	8		
					148	4 8
To ditto paid *John Jackways* and Maſter,	£.	13	14	9¾		
To ditto paid *Benjamin Jones*, ...		8	12	7½		
To ditto paid *David Lillibridge*, ...		15	0	0		
To ditto paid *Launcelot Larkham*, . . .		15	0	0		
To ditto paid *Joſiah Muckamogg* and Maſter,		13	19	3¼		
To ditto paid *Ezekiel Mitchell*, ...		8	13	10		
To ditto paid *Iſaac Matteſon*, ...		14	11	9½		
To ditto paid *Stephen Popple* and Maſter, .		15	0	0		
To ditto paid *James Pearce* and Maſter, .		10	19	9½		
To ditto paid *Joſeph Read*, ...		13	1	3		
To ditto paid *Thomas Rogers*, ...		14	18	8		
To ditto paid *William Strait*, ...		14	0	4½		
					157	12 5¼
To ditto paid *Nathaniel Sweet*, . . .	£.	15	0	0		
To ditto paid *Samuel Stanton*, ...		14	18	3		
To ditto paid *John Sutox* and Maſter, . .		13	1	9¼		
To ditto paid *Benjamin Stanton*, ...		14	17	0¼		
To ditto paid *George Shearman* and Father,		9	9	6		
To ditto paid *William Smith*, ...		14	13	1½		
To ditto paid *John Stephens* and Maſter, .		14	13	1½		
To ditto paid *Simeon Tucker*, ...		15	11	5¼		
To ditto paid *Peleg Tripp*, ...		13	6	6		
To ditto paid *James Thomas*, ...		15	0	0		
					140	10 8¼
To ditto paid *Simeon Utter*, ...	£.	15	0	0		

To ditto paid *John Whitford*,			13	19	4½	
To ditto paid *Abraham Wilcox*,			18	15	0	
To ditto paid *Benjamin Young*,			16	7	8½	
To ditto paid *David Alverſon* and Father,			10	13	5½	
To ditto paid *John Wilkey* and Miſtreſs,			14	14	5½	
To ditto paid *Eliſha Billington*,			13	13	5½	
To ditto paid *Charles Ceſar* and Maſter,			11	5	0	
To ditto paid *Thomas Alverſon*,			15	3	11½	
To ditto paid *Joſeph Sheffield*,			13	4	0	
To ditto paid *William Rathbone* and Father,			12	16	6	
To ditto paid *Abner Whitcomb*,			3	15	6	
To ditto paid *Valentine Hall* and Maſter,			4	15	8½	
						164 4 0½
To ditto paid *Roger Rathbone*,	£.		18	2	4½	
To ditto paid *Nathan Briggs*,			14	18	9½	
To ditto paid *Stephen Chappell*,			14	18	3	
To ditto paid *John Warry*,			0	8	2	
To ditto paid *Richard Winman*,			14	18	8½	
To ditto paid *George Tanner*,			15	0	0	
To ditto paid *Joſeph Boſworth*,			10	14	9½	
To ditto paid *John Niles* and Maſter,			9	6	4½	
To ditto paid *Philip Baker*,			13	2	11	
To ditto paid *Eldred Spink* and Maſter,			16	3	11½	
To ditto paid *William M'Carthy* and Maſter,			9	15	11	
						137 10 2½
To ditto paid *Ephraim Dawley*,	£.		11	0	2	
To ditto paid *Joſiah Ceſar* and Maſter,			14	3	8½	
To ditto paid *Oliver Corey*,			16	10	6	
To ditto paid *Samuel Browning*, for *John Watſon*,			14	19	9½	
To ditto paid *Daniel Coggeſhall*,			38	17	0	
To ditto paid *Alexander Brown*,			38	17	0	
To ditto paid *Jeffery Wilcox*,			58	16	7	
To ditto paid *James Hall*'s Maſter,			8	0	0	
To ditto paid *Iſhmael Wilcox*,			35	19	0	
To ditto paid *John Roſe*, for *Thomas Roſe*,			47	7	9	
						284 11 6½
To ditto paid Col. *Samuel Roſe*,	£.		115	0	0	
To ditto paid *Valentine Hall* and Miſtreſs			8	0	0	
To ditto paid *Robert Congdon*,			11	9	7½	
To ditto paid *Peter Phillips*,			20	13	3	
To ditto paid *John Brown*, a Soldier, in the Year 1760, which appeared to be due to the ſaid *Brown* by a Certificate from *Nicholas Gardner*, Eſq;			12	5	6	
To ditto paid Col. *Samuel Roſe*, a Bounty for *Peter Phillips*,			5	0	0	
To ditto paid *Chriſtopher Herrington*, for taking up *Thomas Marſhall*, a Deſerter, and Expences,			2	10	0	
To ditto paid *William Hall*, for billeting *Ephraim Dawley*, being certified by *Nicholas Gardner*, Eſq; not to have been paid before,			3	7	9	
						178 6 1½

	£.		
To ditto paid Capt. *John Raynolds*, for *Ephraim Thomas*, a Soldier, in the Year 1760, which was certified to be due by *Nicholas Gardner*, Esq;	3	7	2
To ditto paid Col. *Samuel Rose*, for Ravens Duck delivered to several of the Officers, to enlarge their Tents,	10	7	6
To ditto paid *Abial Tanner*, for the transporting of *Alexander Brown*'s Chest from *Newport* to *Updike's New-Town*,	0	2	2
To ditto paid *Daniel Coggeshall*, jun. his Account for transporting Baggage, and for the Ferriage of Part of the Detachment that was order'd to the *Havannah*,	0	6	4
To taking up *Andrew Ross*, a Deserter,	2	0	0
To Cash paid *Nathaniel Lewis*, for billeting *Thomas Marshall*,	0	18	11¼
	17	2	1¼
To ditto paid Col. *Samuel Rose*, for *John Warry*'s Wages for the Year 1760, being certified to be due by *Nicholas Gardner*, Esq;	12	0	0
	£. 1638	9	6½
To my Commissions on the above Sum of £. 1638 - 9 - 6½ calculated at 1½ per Cent.	24	11	6¼
	£. 1663	1	0¾

Creditor.

By Cash received of the General Treasurer - -	£. 1369	1	9
Balance due to *Thomas Potter*, - - - - -	293	19	3¾
	£. 1663	1	0¾

South-Kingstown, *June* 6th, 1763.

" We the Subscribers, with *Rowland Robinson*, Esq; being appointed by the Hon. General Assembly of the Colony of *Rhode-Island*, *&c.* a Committee to audit the Accounts of the Committee of War, and having examined the Receipt-Book, Muster-Roll, and Accounts of *Thomas Potter*, Esq; (One of said Committee) do report, That the above and foregoing is a fair State of his Accounts, the whole being well vouched. We also find, by the General Treasurer's Certificate, that the said *Potter* hath given the Colony Credit for all the Money received of said Treasurer: So that we find a Balance due from the Colony to said *Potter*, including his Commissions on the Money paid, at One and an Half per Cent. to the Amount of Two Hundred and Ninety-three Pounds Nineteen Shillings and Three Pence Half Penny Lawful Money, as above.

Simeon Perry,
Joseph Hazard, } Committee.

The

The Colony of Rhode-Iſland - - - - - - - - *Dr.*

To our Time and Expences in auditing the foregoing Account, 2 Days each, at £.6 per Day,	£. 24 0 0

And the Premiſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted: That Two Hundred and Ninety-three Pounds Nineteen Shillings and Three Pence Half-Penny Lawful Money, being the Balance due to *Thomas Potter*, Eſq; be paid him out of the General Treaſurer: That the Account of the Committee be allowed; and that Twenty-four Pounds Old Tenor, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Simeon Perry*, and *Joſeph Hazard*, out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas Capt. *William Pearſe*, and *Royal Paine*, Eſqrs. who were conſtituted a Committee to audit the Accounts of *Shearjaſhub Bourn*, Eſq; One of the Members of the Committee of War, preſented unto this Aſſembly a State of his Account, together with their Report thereon, and alſo an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, as follows, *to wit*:

Dr. --- *The Colony of* Rhode-Iſland *to* Shearjaſhub Bourn, *One of the Committee of War.*

	Lawful Money.
To the Amount of Receipts audited, for Caſh, &c. paid on Account of the Expedition,	£. 1136 4 11
To Commiſſions on the ſaid Sum, at 1½ per Cent.	17 0 10
	£. 1153 5 9

Creditor.

By Caſh received of the General Treaſurer, . . .	£. 909 12 0
By the Amount of the Commiſſary's Account, . . .	14 3 7
By Miſcaſt in the former Account, ...	0 8 0
Balance due to *Shearjaſhub Bourn*, ...	229 2 2
	£. 1153 5 9

"We the Subſcribers, Two of the Committee appointed by the Hon. General Aſſembly, to audit the Accounts of *Shearjaſhub Bourn*, Eſq; One of the Committee of War, do report, That we have carefully examined the ſame, and find them well vouched; and that the above is a fair State of the ſame: We likewiſe find, by a Certificate under the Hand of the General Treaſurer, that he hath given Credit for all the Money received out of the Treaſury ſince the Settlement of his Account the laſt Year: Whereby it appears, that there is a Balance due to the ſaid *Shearjaſhub Bourn* of Two Hundred and Twenty-nine Pounds Two Shillings and Two Pence Lawful Money, including his Commiſſions, at One and an Half per Cent.

Briſtol, June 13th, 1763.

William Pearſe,
Royall Paine.

Colony

Colony of Rhode-Iſland *to ſaid Committee* - - - *Dr.*

Lawful Money.

To 2 Days each, auditing the above Account, at 6*ſ.* per Day, £. 1 4 0

AND the Premiſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted: That Two Hundred and Twenty-nine Pounds Two Shillings and Two Pence Lawful Money, being the Balance due to *Shearjaſhub Bourn*, Eſq; be paid him out of the General Treaſury: That the Account of the Committee be allowed; and that One Pound Four Shillings Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *William Pearſe* and *Royall Paine* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *Job Bennet*, jun. *Walter Cranſton*, and *Solomon Townſend*, who were appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of the Members of the Committee of War, in the County of *Newport*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly a State of their Account, together with their Report thereon, and alſo an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, as follows, *to wit*:

Dr. - - - *The Colony of* Rhode-Iſland, *with* Thomas Cranſton, John Jepſon, *and* John Bours, *Members of the Committee of War.*

To the Amount of our Orders drawn on the General Treaſurer, in Favour of ſundry Perſons, from *March* 20th, 1762, the Time of the laſt Audit, to the Date hereof. - - - - - - - - -	£. 1404	12	5¼
To the Amount of Accounts paid ſundry Perſons, -	542	7	0¼
To the Amount of Receipt Books, for Bounties, Wages, and Billeting paid the Troops, - -	2834	3	7¾
To the Amount of *Thomas Cranſton*'s Account, -	3793	2	3
To the Amount of *John Bours*'s ditto, - - - - -	131	12	0¼
To Commiſſions on £. 7105 - 17 - 5 at 1½ per Cent.	106	11	8¼
	£. 8812	9	1¼

Creditor.

By our Orders drawn on the General Treaſurer in Favour of ſundry Perſons, - - - - - -	£. 1404	12	5¼
By Caſh received of the General Treaſurer at ſundry Times,	7080	1	1¾
By a Balance due to *Thomas Cranſton*, £. 186 15 0			
By ditto due to *John Jepſon*, - - - - 35 10 6¾			
By ditto due to *John Bours*, - - - 105 9 11½			
	327	15	6¼
	£. 8812	9	1¼

Newport, *May* 30th, 1763.

" We the Subſcribers being appointed a Committee, by the Hon. General Aſſembly, to audit the Accounts of *Thomas Cranſton*, *John*

Jepſon, and *John Bours*, Members of the Committee of War, do report, That we have careſully examined the Accounts of the ſaid Gentlemen with the Colony, and find them well vouched, and that the above is a fair State of the ſame: Whereby it appears, that the following Balances are due, *to wit:* To *Thomas Cranſton*, One Hundred and Eighty-ſix Pounds and Fifteen Shillings: To *John Jepſon*, Thirty-five Pounds Ten Shillings and Six Pence Three Farthings: And to *John Bours*, One Hundred and Five Pounds Nine Shillings and Eleven Pence Half-Penny, Lawful Money: We likewiſe find, by Certificates from under the Hand of *Joſeph Clarke*, Eſq; General Treaſurer, that they have given the Colony Credit for all the Money they have received.

Job Bennet, jun.
Walter Cranſton,
Solomon Townſend,
} Committee.

The Colony Dr. —— ——

Lawful Money.

To our Time and Trouble in auditting the above Account, £. 2 5 0

And the Premiſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted: That the ſeveral Balances therein mentioned be paid out of the General Treaſury, *to wit:* To *Thomas Cranſton*, Eſq; One Hundred and Eighty-ſix Pounds Fifteen Shillings Lawful Money: To *John Jepſon*, Eſq; Thirty-five Pounds Ten Shillings and Six Pence Three Farthings Lawful Money: And to *John Bours*, Eſq; One Hundred and Five Pounds Nine Shillings and Eleven Pence Half-Penny Lawful Money: That the Account of the Committee be allowed; and that Two Pounds Five Shillings Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Job Bennet*, jun. *Walter Cranſton*, and *Solomon Townſend*, out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Nicholas Cooke*, and *James Angell*, Eſqrs. who were appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of Mr. *George Jackſon*, with the Colony, exhibited unto this Aſſembly a State of his Account, and their Report thereon, as follows, *to wit:*

Dr. ---- *Colony of* Rhode-Iſland *to* George Jackſon, *for Caſh paid ſundry Soldiers*, &c. *Campaign* 1762.

		Lawful Money.		
Caſh paid *Abraham Hawkins*,	£	43	16	1
Ditto paid *Hazabiah Hawkins*,		18	15	0
Ditto paid *Thomas Wamſley*,		15	0	0
Ditto paid *Joſeph Parker*,		15	1	4
Ditto paid *Abel Potter*,		5	0	0
Ditto paid *Robert Bell*, *Thomas Read*'s Half Wages.		7	8	0
Ditto paid *Shadrach Wells*,		14	10	8
Ditto paid *Prince Gould*,		4	8	6
Ditto paid *Jeremiah Broadway*,		14	5	0
Ditto paid *Jeremiah Bollord*,		14	0	0

Ditto

Ditto paid *William Yates*, Half Wages, - -	7	10	0
Ditto paid *Thomas Whipple*, *William Yates*'s Half Wages,	7	10	0
Ditto paid *Peleg Abby*, - - - - - -	10	18	8
Ditto paid *Jeremiah Merethew*, Half Wages, -	7	6	0
Ditto paid *Samuel Holmes*, *Jeremiah Merethew*'s Half Wages,	7	6	0
Ditto paid *Amos Jenckes*, - - - - -	14	1	4
Ditto paid *Eliſha Mitchel*, - - - -	15	1	4
Ditto paid *Peleg Weſtcott*, - - - -	14	6	8
Ditto paid *Bowen Buſh*, Half Wages, - -	7	7	4
Ditto paid *Comfort Wheaton*, *B. Buſh*'s Half Wages,	7	7	4
Ditto paid *Joel Lewis*, - - - -	15	1	4
Ditto paid *John Stringer*, - - - -	12	17	4
Ditto paid *Samuel Thurber*, *John Stone*'s Half Wages,	7	0	8
Ditto paid *Joſeph Smith*, his Son *Enoch*'s Wages,	12	13	4
Ditto paid *Matthew Sweet*, - - - -	1	10	0
Ditto paid *James Olney*, - - - -	1	10	0
Ditto paid *Abraham Hawkins*, on Account, - -	6	1	8¼
Ditto paid *John Dexter*, Eſq; *Daniel Collor*'s Wages,	10	10	5½
Ditto paid *Jabez Bowen*, jun. - - -	6	14	2
Ditto paid *Derius Seſſions* ſundry Orders, - -	8	4	1
	£. 333	2	3¾
To my Commiſſions on £. 333 : 2 : 3¾ at 1½ per Cent.	4	19	11¼
To my Commiſſions on £. 160 : 0 : 0 allowed in *Eliſha Brown*'s Account, - - -	2	8	0
	£. 340	10	3
Balance due to the Colony, - -	31	10	1½
	£. 372	0	4¼

Creditor.

	Lawful Money.		
By Caſh received of the General Treaſurer, - -	£. 312	10	0
Certified I gave *Peter Phillips*, the Suttler, to the Committee at *Newport*, - - -	45	7	1
Stoppages made from ſundry of the Soldiers for Colony's Cloathing, amounting to - -	13	19	3½
Intereſt ariſing on the Money paid *D. Seſſions*, -	0	4	0
	£. 372	0	4¼

" We the Subſcribers, Two of the Committee appointed by the General Aſſembly, to audit the Accounts of *George Jackſon*, One of the Committee of War, do report, That having carefully examined the ſame, with the ſeveral Vouchers, do find them juſt and right, and that the Balance of Thirty-one Pounds Ten Shillings and One Penny Farthing Lawful Money is due from him to the Colony. Witneſs our Hands, in *Providence*, this Firſt Day of *June*, *A. D.* 1763.

Nicholas Cooke,
James Angell,

And

And the Premiſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted: And that the Sum of Thirty-one Pounds Ten Shillings and One Penny Farthing, being the Balance due from the ſaid *George Jackſon* to the Colony, be paid by him into the General Treaſury.

Whereas Major *Ebenezer Brenton*, Mr. *Chriſtopher Robinſon*, and *Joſeph Hazard*, Eſq; preſented unto this Aſſembly the following Report, and Account by them charged againſt the Colony, *to wit:*

To the Hon. General Aſſembly, to be holden at Newport *on the Thirteenth Day of* June, *A. D.* 1763.

In Purſuance of an Order of ſaid Aſſembly, made and paſſed at their Seſſions in *May* laſt paſt, appointed us a Committee to receive from the former Clerk, and deliver to the new, the Seal, Books, Papers, Files, Dockets, and all other Papers belonging to the Office of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, for the County of *King's County*; we have, agreeable thereto, received from Mr. *Benjamin Peckham*, the former Clerk, and delivered to Mr. *Stephen Hazard*, jun. the new Clerk, all the abovementioned Particulars, as by his Receipt herewith exhibited will appear. We have alſo ſubjoined the Account of Time expended in performing ſaid Service: Which is ſubmitted by the Hon. Aſſembly's

Moſt obedient and moſt humble Servants,

Ebenezer Brenton,
Chriſtopher Robinſon,
Joſeph Hazard.

The Colony of Rhode-Iſland *Dr. to the above Committee.*

1763. *May.*	To our Time for ourſelves and Horſes, One Day each, at £.6 per Day,	£. 18	0 0

And the foregoing Report and Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the former be, and hereby is accepted: That the latter be allowed; and that Eighteen Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Ebenezer Brenton*, *Chriſtopher Robinſon*, and *Joſeph Hazard*, out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas Mr. *Jacob Richardſon* exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for One Ream of Paper, delivered the Secretary, for printing the Acts of Aſſembly: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Twenty-two Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Jacob Richardſon* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Samuel Hall* exhibited unto this Aſſembly the following Account, *to wit:*

The Colony of Rhode-Iſland *Dr. to* Samuel Hall.

1763. To printing the Proceedings of the General Aſſembly at *February* Seſſion, containing 4 Sheets, at £. 16 per Sheet, - - - - - - - - -	£.	64	0 0
To printing ditto at *May* Seſſion, containing 2½ Sheets, at £. 13 : 10 : 0 per Sheet, - -		33	15 0
	£.	97	15 0

AND the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that the ſaid Sum of Ninety-ſeven Pounds Fifteen Shillings be paid the ſaid *Samuel Hall* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *Thomas Cranſton*, *Joſias Lyndon*, and *Henry Ward*, Eſqrs. exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for their Service in numbering the Proxies put in in *April*, 1762, for the Candidates for the Offices of Deputy Governor and Aſſiſtants, where there was an Oppoſition: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Forty-two Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Thomas Cranſton*, *Joſias Lyndon*, and *Henry Ward*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *Job Randal*, Eſq; exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time, Horſe-hire, and Expences in attending at *Newport*, upon the Committee appointed to ſettle a General Eſtimate: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Fifty Pounds thereof be allowed, and paid the ſaid *Job Randal* out of the General Treaſury.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That *Joſias Lyndon*, Eſq; Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Newport*, be, and he is hereby empowered and directed to procure a ſuitable Book for Records for ſaid Office: That he draw Money out of the General Treaſury to pay for the ſame, and lay an Account of the Expence thereof before the General Aſſembly.

AND *it is further Voted and Reſolved*, That *Daniel Howland*, Eſq; Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Kent*, be, and he is hereby empowered and directed to procure a ſuitable Book for Records for ſaid Office: That he draw Money out of the General Treaſury to pay for the ſame; and lay an Account of the Expence thereof before the General Aſſembly.

WHEREAS a conſiderable Number of the *Narraganſett* Tribe of *Indians*, within this Colony, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That the Land belonging to the ſaid Tribe of *Indians*, which was reſerved by old *Ninigret*, the *Narraganſett* Sachem, was by him reſerved to and for his Uſe, and the Uſe of his ſaid Tribe and their Children forever: That a Law was paſſed in this Colony to make void all Grants, Deeds, and Leaſes made by the Sachem of ſaid Tribe, without the Conſent and Approbation of the General Aſſembly: That the ſaid Law, although it had been long in Force, and proved very beneficial to ſaid Tribe, hath been lately repealed: In Conſequence whereof, *Thomas Ninigret*, the preſent Sachem, hath, without the Approbation of the General Aſſembly, or Conſent of ſaid Tribe, ſold and conveyed away divers Tracts of Land belonging to ſaid Tribe, and is daily ſo doing, by Reaſon whereof a great Part of ſaid Tribe are in Danger of being utterly deprived of the Means of procuring a Maintenance, and muſt either ſtarve, or become a Town Charge. And thereupon the Petitioners prayed this Aſſembly to paſs an Act to prohibit the ſaid Sachem from ſelling any more of ſaid Lands from them (eſpecially their particular Settlements) without the Conſent, as formerly, of his Tribe, and of the General Aſſembly: And that until they can be heard by this Aſſembly, the ſaid Sachem may be reſtricted from ſelling any of ſaid Lands.

On Conſideration whereof,

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That this Petition be referred to the next Seſſion: That *Thomas Ninigret*, the preſent Sachem of ſaid Tribe, be ſerved with a Copy thereof, and cited to appear at next Seſſion, to anſwer the ſame: And that in the mean Time, the ſaid *Thomas Ninigret* be, and he is hereby reſtricted and forbid to ſell and diſpoſe of any Lands in the *Narraganſett* Country, upon any Pretence whatever.

AN ACT declaring what is, and ſhall be, Lawful Money of this Colony; and for the better aſcertaining Contracts, and other Securities that ſhall hereafter be made for the Payment of Money; and for the more equitable diſcharging of Contracts, and other Securities for the Payment of the Paper Bills of this Colony.

WHEREAS notwithſtanding an Act of Parliament, made in the Sixth Year of her late Majeſty Queen Anne, *entituled*, "*An Act for aſcertaining the Rate of foreign Coins in Her Majeſty's Plantations in* America," *there is no Act of this Colony declaring what is, or ſhall be, Lawful Money of this Colony; for Want whereof as a Standard in Contracts and Dealings, much Uncertainty and Confuſion have been occaſioned: And whereas alſo great Quantities of Paper Bills of Credit, by Virtue of Acts of Aſſembly, have been, from Time to Time, created and iſſued on Loan, and otherwiſe, which, by the reſpective Acts for creating and iſſuing the ſame, muſt ſoon be called in, diſcharged, and ſunk: And whereas the ſaid Paper Bills of Credit have been conſidered as a Medium of*

of Trade, and a Meaſure in Dealings, in Lieu of Money, whereby Obligations and Securities have been made and given, and Debts contracted, in ſaid Bills, which, from a Scarcity of thoſe Bills that muſt unavoidably happen near the Expiration of the ſeveral Terms for which they were iſſued, cannot be diſcharged and paid in the Bills themſelves: And as great Conteſts and Diſputes may ariſe between Creditors and Debtors, what ſhall be a true Equivalent in Lawful Money for ſuch Debts contracted in Paper Bills:

THEREFORE, for preventing and remedying the ſaid Inconveniences, and for the better ſecuring of Property, and for cauſing impartial Juſtice to be done, *Be it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is hereby Enacted and Declared*, That Lawful Money of this Colony is, and ſhall hereafter be, Silver and Gold Coin; and that nothing elſe ſhall be taken and underſtood to be Lawful Money of this Colony.

AND *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That from and after the Firſt Day of *January* next, which will be in the Year of our Lord One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-four, all Mortgages, Bonds, Bills, Promiſſory-Notes, and all other Securities in Writing, of what Kind ſoever, wherein the Payment of Money is reſerved, or promiſed, ſhall be taken and underſtood to mean Lawful Money as aforeſaid, except the contrary be in ſuch Writing expreſſed: And all Contracts and Undertakings ſhall be deemed to be made for Lawful Money, unleſs the contrary be made to appear: And in all Book-Accounts whatſoever, for Goods ſold, or Service done, all Entries and Charges ſhall be in Lawful Money: And where it doth not appear, that in any Book-Account there is an Agreement between the Buyer and Seller, in what particular Money the Debt ſhall be diſcharged, it ſhall be at the Election of the Debtor to diſcharge the ſame either in Silver and Gold, or in the Bills heretofore emitted by this Colony, called Lawful Money.

AND *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That from and after the ſaid Time, Damages to be recovered in any of the Courts of Juſtice in this Colony, in any Action of Treſpaſs, Trover, or other Action of the Caſe not grounded on a Contract, ſhall be computed in Lawful Money: And all Coſt ariſing in any Suit at Law, of what Kind ſoever, and Officers Fees, ſhall be computed in like Lawful Money, according to a Table of Fees to be ſtated and appointed by the General Aſſembly: And alſo all Penalties, Fines, and Forfeitures, ſhall likewiſe be computed in Lawful Money, equal in Value to the Sums of the ſeveral Fines and Forfeitures appointed and ſet by the Laws of this Colony now in Force.

AND *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That from and after the ſaid Firſt Day of *January*, A. D. 1764, the Rate and Value, in Lawful Money, of the ſeveral Pieces of Coin hereafter mentioned, ſhall be as followeth, *to wit:*

An

	Pwt.	Gr.			
An *Engliſh* Crown, weighing —	19	8 and an Half,	£.	0	6 8
An *Engliſh* Half Crown, —— —	9	16 and a Quarter,		0	3 4
An *Engliſh* Shilling, — — —	3	20 and Nine Tenths,		0	1 4
An *Engliſh* Six-Pence, — — —	1	22 and Nine Twentieths		0	0 8
A *Spaniſh* Milled Dollar, — —		— —— —		0	6 0
A Half-Dollar, —— ——		— —— —		0	3 0
A Quarter of a Dollar, — —		— — —		0	1 6
A Five-Moidore Piece, 1 Ounce	14	15 and a Quarter,		9	0 0
A Double Johannes, or £. 3. 12. Sterl.	18	10 —— —		4	16 0
A Doubloon, or Four Piſtole Piece,	17	8 — ——		4	8 0
A Two and an Half Moidore Piece,	17	7 and Five Eighths,		4	10 0
A ſingle Johannes, or £. 1. 16. Sterl.	9	5 — ——		2	8 0
A Two Piſtole Piece, — —	8	16 — ——		2	4 0
A Moidore, or 27*s.* Sterl. — —	6	22 and a Quarter,		1	16 0
A Guinea, or 21*s.* Sterling, — —	5	9 — — —		1	8 0
An Half Johannes, or 18*s.* Sterling,	4	14 and an Half,		1	4 0
A Piſtole, — — —— —	4	8 — — —		1	2 0
An Half Moidore, — —	3	11 and One Eighth,		0	18 0
A Half Guinea, — —— —	2	16 and an Half,		0	14 0
A Quarter of a Johannes, — —	2	7 and a Quarter,		0	12 0
Three *Engliſh* Farthings, — —	——	—— — —		0	0 1
And *Engliſh* Half Pence, in greater or leſs Numbers, in Proportion.					
One Ounce of coined Gold, —— —— —— — —				5	1 4

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That if any Perſon within this Colony, ſhall, from and after the ſaid Firſt Day of *January*, *A. D.* 1764, for the Diſcharge of any Contracts, Bargains, or Debts, made or ariſen after ſaid Time, account, receive, take, or pay any of the ſeveral Species of Coin aforementioned, at any greater or higher Rate than at which the ſame are hereby regulated, the Perſon ſo accounting, receiving, taking, or paying the ſame contrary to the Directions herein contained, ſhall forfeit the Sum of Six Pounds Lawful Money, to be recovered by an Action of Debt, and diſpoſed of as followeth: One Half to and for the Uſe of this Colony, and the other Half to and for him who will ſue for the ſame.

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That all Mortgages, Bonds, Bills, Promiſſory-Notes, Rent reſerved, or Leaſes, or other Securities in Writing, of what Name or Nature ſoever, that are already made, or that ſhall hereafter be given or made to ſecure the Payment of any Kind or Sum of Old Tenor Bills of this Colony, or Book-Debts contracted before ſaid Firſt Day of *January*, *A. D.* 1764, may be diſcharged by the Debtor's paying unto the Creditor, ſuch a Sum in ſaid Bills as ſhall, at the Time of actual Payment, be equal in Value to the Nominal Sum due at the Time when ſuch Sum firſt became due and payable, with Six *per Cent. per Annum* Intereſt, in Caſe any Intereſt be due; or in Lieu thereof, as much Lawful Money as ſaid Bills, at the Time of Payment, are worth: And when any Action ſhall be commenced, and brought before any of the Courts of Juſtice in this Colony, for the Recovery or Non-Payment of any Sum of the Old Tenor Bills, the Payment whereof being reſerved or ſecured in or by any

any Inſtrument in Writing, or any Sum due on Book Account; That then ſuch Court ſhall take Conſideration of the ſame, and ſhall cauſe Judgment to be entered for ſuch a Sum of the Old Tenor Bills, as they then paſs, as ſhall be equal in Value to the nominal Sum due at the Time when ſuch Sum firſt became payable, and for Intereſt at Six *per Cent per Annum*, if Intereſt ſhall be reſerved in ſaid Writing, and be due by the Uſage of ſuch Court; or for Want thereof, then for ſo much Lawful Money as ſaid Bills are at that Time worth, and Execution on ſuch Judgment ſhall iſſue accordingly. But if it ſhall appear to ſuch Court, that the Intereſt on any ſuch Sum hath been fully paid for any Term of Time after ſuch Sum Firſt became due, that in ſuch Caſe the Court ſhall begin their Computation of the Value of the Bills from that Period: And that the Value of Money due upon any Book Account, ſhall be computed from the Date of the laſt Charge in the Account.

Provided nevertheleſs, That nothing in this Act ſhall extend, or be conſtrued to extend, to any Bonds or Mortgages due to the Colony.

And for the better aſcertaining the true Value of ſuch Old Tenor Bills, at the different Periods of Time when any ſuch Sum hath, or may become due, *It is further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the following Table, or Eſtimate, ſhall be the Standard for fixing the Value of ſuch Old Tenor Debts; and that the ſeveral Courts of Law within this Colony ſhall govern themſelves by the ſame in making up Judgments, *that is to ſay*:

In the Year 1751 a *Spaniſh* milled Dollar was worth	£.	2	16	0
1752 - - - - - - - - - - - -		3	0	0
1753 - - - - - - - - - - - -		3	10	0
1754 - - - - - - - - - - - -		3	15	0
1755 - - - - - - - - - - - -		4	5	0
1756 - - - - - - - - - - - -		5	5	0
1757 - - - - - - - - - - - -		5	15	0
1758 - - - - - - - - - - - -		6	0	0
1759 - - - - - - - - - - - -		6	0	0
1760 - - - - - - - - - - - -		6	0	0
1761 - - - - - - - - - - - -		6	10	0
1762 - - - - - - - - - - - -		7	0	0
1763 - - - - - - - - - - - -		7	0	0

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That in all Payments of Old Tenor Debts, which ſhall become due or payable at any Time after the ſaid Firſt Day of *January*, *A. D.* 1764, Six Shillings in the Lawful Money of Silver and Gold, above eſtabliſhed, ſhall pay and diſcharge Seven Pounds of any ſuch Old Tenor Debt: That all Securities made, or to be made, before the ſaid Firſt Day of *January*, for the Payment of Bills of Credit called Lawful Money Bills, may, and ſhall be paid and diſcharged in ſuch Bills according to their nominal Value. And that all Securities that are made for the Payment of Bills of Credit of the Old Tenor, or for the Bills called Lawful Money, may be paid and diſcharged in the Bills ſpecified in ſuch Securities, and that ſuch Bills ſhall be a legal Tender for any ſuch Debt, as well after as

before, or at the Day on which ſuch Payment ought to have been made: And all Judgments to be made for the recovering the Money due on any ſuch Securities, ſhall be payable in ſuch Bills as are mentioned in ſuch Security. Any Thing in this Act to the contrary hereof in any wiſe notwithſtanding.

WE the Subſcribers beg Leave to diſſent from the foregoing Bill, for the following Reaſons:

Firſt. THE introducing a Lawful Money Currency, and no Proviſion made for Old Tenor anſwering in Payment after ſaid Time, before the ſinking of the Old Tenor that is out upon the Credit of the Colony, and the Expiration of the Bank Money will prevent the greateſt Part of the Inhabitants from procuring ſaid Bills to pay their Rates, and the Banker from diſcharging his Mortgage, as it will naturally center the Money into the Hands of Money-Jobbers, and is contrary to the Faith of the Government with ſaid Bankers, that ſaid Money ſhould paſs as a Currency in ſaid Government to the Expiration of ſaid Banks.

2dly. That if it be reaſonable that any Depreciation be allowed, it ought to take Place at the Date of the Contract, and not at the Time of Payment.

William Bradford.

3dly. That in the Year 1752, this General Aſſembly paſſed an Act, aſcertaining the Value of Old Tenor Bills, that a Spaniſh milled Dollar ſhould paſs for Fifty-ſix Shillings Old Tenor; and now this Act declareth, that in the Year 1752 a Spaniſh milled Dollar was worth Three Pounds Five Shillings, which is inconſiſtent in itſelf; and this Act, or the former, muſt be wrong.

4thly. That there is no Proviſion made for Minors.

Robert Potter,
Gideon Wanton, jun.
James Barker, jun.
John Chapman,
William Hall,
John G. Wanton,
John Shearman, jun.
David Anthony,
William Bailey,
Edward Sands,
William Read,
John Littlefield,
George Sheffield.

WE the Subſcribers beg Leave to diſſent from the annexed Bill, for ordering Lawful Money Bills, emitted by the Colony, called Lawful Money, to be a legal Tender in Payment for Debts contracted, it being in open Violation and Contempt, and contrary to an Act of Parliament, made for reſtraining Paper Bills being a Tender in Law in the Plantations after the 29th of *September*, 1751.

Robert Potter,
William Bradford,
Gideon Wanton, jun.
David Anthony,
James Barker, jun.
William Bailey,
Joſhua Clarke,
John Shearman, jun.
George Sheffield,
Daniel Ayrault, jun. *

* *N. B.* THIS Bill being ſent to the Upper Houſe, was accompanied with the Firſt Proteſt; and having there been concurred with, with ſeveral Amendments, was ſent down; with which Amendments the Lower Houſe concurred, and thereupon the Second Proteſt was entered againſt the Bill.

IT

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That his Honor the Governor, *Joſeph Hazard*, Eſq; *Auguſtus Johnſton*, Eſq; and Meſſrs. *John Aplin*, and *Martin Howard*, jun. be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to draw up a Sett of Rules and Regulations ſuitable for an Hoſpital for Inoculation of the Small-Pox in this Colony; and alſo to examine into, and recommend a proper Place for erecting a Hoſpital for that Purpoſe: And that they perform the ſaid Buſineſs, and make Report to this Aſſembly as ſoon as may be, without any Expence to the Colony.

Whereas Mr. *Pierre Le Roy*, now reſiding in *Newport*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That he is a Subject of his Moſt Chriſtian Majeſty, and hath lived in the *French Weſt-Indies*: That being now removed to *Newport*, with Deſign to ſettle and ſpend the Reſt of his Days there, he is deſirous of becoming a Subject of His *Britannic* Majeſty. And thereupon the ſaid *Pierre Le Roy* prayed this Aſſembly to paſs an Act of Naturalization in his Favor for that Purpoſe.

On Conſideration whereof,

Be *it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted*, That the ſaid *Pierre Le Roy* be, and he is hereby naturalized, and forever hereafter ſhall be adjudged, deemed, and taken to be naturalized, to all Intents and Purpoſes; and hereby is rendered and made equal, in every Reſpect, to a Freeborn Subject of this Colony: Provided he take the proper Oaths.

And afterwards, *to wit*, on the Sixteenth Day of this Inſtant *June*, the ſaid *Pierre Le Roy*, in his own proper Perſon, came before their Honors the Governor, and Deputy Governor, and the other Members of the Upper Houſe, and took and ſubſcribed the Oaths appointed by Act of Parliament.

Whereas Meſſrs. *Job Bennet*, jun. *Walter Cranſton*, and *Solomon Townſend*, who were appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of the Members of the Committee of War, in the County of *Newport*, preſented unto this Aſſembly a State of the Account of *John Bours*, Eſq; One of the Members of the ſaid Committee, and their Report thereon, as follows, *to wit*:

Dr.---The Colony of Rhode-Iſland *with* John Bours.

	Lawful Money.		
To Caſh paid Col. *Whiting*, towards paying the Bounties of Troops inliſted by him for his Majeſty's Regular Service, as per Receipt, - - - - - - - -	£. 28	15	5½
To ditto paid ditto, as per ditto, - - - - - - - - -	55	18	9
To ditto paid the Bounties of 55 Soldiers, returned to me by Lieut. *Edmond Newland*, as appears by their Inliſtments, - - - at £. 5 each, - - - -	275	0	0
To ditto paid Lt. *Newland*, the Amount of billeting Account,	146	9	1½
To ditto paid ditto, - - the Amount of 2d ditto, - -	3	4	11
To ditto paid ditto, - - the Amount of 3d ditto, - -	0	14	0

To

To ditto paid ditto, - - the Amount of 4th ditto, -				£. 4	2 11
To ditto paid *Stephen Wanton*'s Account,	£. 6	2	2¼		
To ditto paid ditto - - - ditto, - -	4	4	0		
To ditto paid *George Lawton*'s ditto, - -	1	12	0		
To ditto paid *Joſhua Amy*'s ditto, - - -	7	12	8¾		
To ditto paid *Henry Collard*'s ditto, - -	7	7	3½		
To ditto paid *John Davis*'s ditto, - -	£. 0	16	5½		
				27	14 7½
				£. 541	19 9½
Commiſſions on £. 541 : 19 : 8½ at 1½ per Cent.				- 8	2 6½
				£. 550	2 4½

Creditor.

Lawful Money.

1762. *Sept.* 10.	By Caſh received of the Gen. Treaſurer,	£. 100	13	9
Oct. 25.	By ditto - - - ditto, - - -	58	1	3½
	By ditto - - - ditto, - - -	15	0	0
Dec. 3.	By ditto - - - ditto, - - -	29	9	7½
22.	By ditto - - ditto, £. 1400 Old Ten. &	32	18	8
Nov. 6.	By ditto - - - ditto, - - -	59	7	2½
Dec. 14.	By ditto - - - ditto, - - -	8	4	9
30.	By ditto - - - ditto, £. 1000 Old Ten.			
1763. *Jan.* 11.	By ditto - - - ditto, - - -	12	9	4
28.	By ditto - - - ditto, £. 1000 Old Ten.			
30.	By ditto - - - ditto, - - - -	8	19	7½
		£. 325	4	3¾
£. 3400 Old Tenor is - - - -		185	9	1
		£. 510	13	4¼
Balance due to *John Bours*, - - -		39	9	0
		£. 550	2	4¼

Newport, *May* 30th, 1763.

We the Subſcribers having carefully examined the Contents of the foregoing Account of *John Bours* with the Colony, do report, That we find the ſame well vouched, and that there is a Balance of Thirty-nine Pounds and Nine Shillings Lawful Money due from the Colony to the ſaid *John Bours*, it appearing that he hath given Credit for all the Money he hath received, by a Certificate from *Joſeph Clarke*, Eſq; General Treaſurer,

Job Bennet, jun.
Walter Cranſton,
Solomon Townſend,
} Committee.

And

AND the Premiſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted : And that Thirty-nine Pounds Nine Shillings Lawful Money, being the Balance due to the ſaid *John Bours*, be paid him out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS there was laid before this Aſſembly an Account amounting to £. 89 : 15 : 6 *New-York* Currency, charged by *James Richardſon* againſt Lieut. Col. *Chriſtopher Hargill*, for Medicines and Neceſſaries ſupplied the Detachment of the *Rhode-Iſland* Regiment, during the Siege of the *Havannah*, which being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, that Eighty Pounds Fifteen Shillings and Six Pence *New-York* Currency thereof, be allowed and paid the ſaid *James Richardſon* out of the General Treaſury.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That Col. *Job Bennet*, jun. *John Bours*, Eſq; and Mr. *Walter Cranſton*, be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of Col. *John Whiting* with the Colony ; and that they make Report to this Aſſembly as ſoon as may be.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Number of Soldiers to be employed for the future at Fort *George* be limited to Four ; who are to be inliſted by the Captain of ſaid Fort upon the beſt Terms he can : That the Captain of ſaid Fort be, and he is hereby empowered and directed to ſell and diſpoſe of the old broken uſeleſs Cannon, and other old Iron now at the ſaid Fort, for the Uſe of the Colony : And that he purchaſe a new Flag, and a ſufficient Quantity of Firewood for the ſaid Fort, at the Expence of the Colony.

WHEREAS *Richard Steere*, Eſq; exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for examining all the Records of the Town of *Glouceſter*, reſpecting Mortgages to the Colony, *&c.* And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Seventeen Pounds Ten Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Richard Steere* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *Jonathan Jeffers*, *Thomas Bailey*, and *Samuel Brown*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for waſhing and keeping clean the Colony Houſe in *Newport*, from *June*, 1762, to *June*, 1763, providing Brooms, *&c.* And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Sixty-three Pounds Eight Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Jonathan Jeffers*, *Thomas Bailey*, and *Samuel Brown*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *James Angell* Eſq; exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for examining the Records of

the Town of *Providence*, concerning Mortgages to the Colony, &c. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Fifteen Shillings Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *James Angell* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Thomas Crowley* exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time, Horſe-hire, and Expences in performing a Journey to *Providence*, and alſo a Journey to *Little-Compton*, being ſent an Expreſs by his Honor the Governor: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Sixty Pounds thereof be allowed, and paid the ſaid *Thomas Crowley* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS an Account was exhibited unto this Aſſembly, charged againſt the Colony, by *Timothy Warner*, for Medicines and Attendance upon *Gideon Satterly*, a Soldier in the *Rhode-Iſland* Regiment in the Year 1759: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Two Pounds One Shilling and Six Pence Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Timothy Warner* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS there was due from the Colony to *Nedebiah Olney*, Sixteen Pounds Lawful Money; and to *Joſeph Day*, Eight Pounds Lawful Money, for Service as Soldiers, at Fort *Stanwix*, in the Year 1761; for which Sums, they drew Orders on *Gideon Comſtock*, Eſq; One of the Members of the Committee of War, payable to Col. *John Whiting*, who ſued the ſaid *Comſtock* for ſaid Sums, at the Inferior Court held at *Newport* in *May* laſt, and recovered Judgment for the ſame. And it appearing to this Aſſembly, That the ſaid Sums are juſtly due to the ſaid *John Whiting*, *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the General Treaſurer pay the ſaid *John Whiting* the Amount of the ſaid Two Orders upon the ſaid *Gideon Comſtock*'s delivering up ſaid Orders; and that the ſaid Judgment remain good for the Coſts only.

WHEREAS *Daniel Mowrey*, jun. Eſq; exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for examining the Records of the Town of *Smithfield*, reſpecting Mortgages to the Colony, &c. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Fifteen Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Daniel Mowrey*, jun. out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *Francis Willett*, and *James Helme*, Eſqrs. who were appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of *Nicholas Gardner*, Eſq; late a Member of the Committee of War, exhibited unto this Aſſembly a State of his Account, together with their Report thereon, and alſo an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, as follows, *to wit*:

Dr. --

Dr.---*The Colony of* Rhode-Iſland *to* Nicholas Gardner, *for Levy-Money, Billeting, Wages, and Stores for Col.* Samuel Roſe's *Company*, to wit :

		Lawful Money.		
1762. April.	To Caſh paid Lieut. *Thomas Roſe*, - -	£. 10	7	8
	To ditto paid *Thomas Roſe*. - - -	5	2	0
	To ditto paid *John Juſtin*, - - -	5	12	0
	To ditto paid *William M'Carthy*, - -	5	13	1
	To ditto paid *Daniel Coggeſhall*, jun. - -	9	17	1
	To ditto paid *Daniel Coggeſhall*, for *John Barber*,	5	5	1
	To ditto paid *Pyerus Auſtin*, - - -	2	0	0
	To ditto paid *Alexander Brown*, jun. - -	8	8	2½
	To ditto paid ditto, - - - -	0	12	0
	To ditto paid *Stephen Cottrell*, jun. - -	1	0	0
	To ditto paid *Samuel Roſe*, - - -	1	16	0
	To ditto paid *John Chace*, - - -	6	8	0
	To ditto paid *John Cleveland*, - - -	5	16	0
	To ditto paid *Benjamin Gardner*, - -	1	0	0
	To ditto paid *Roger Rathbone*, - - -	7	6	0
	To ditto paid *Philip Baker*, - - -	6	16	0
	To ditto paid *Job Green*, ...	6	1	1
	To ditto paid *Samuel Roſe*, for *James Alſbro*, .	6	16	0
	To ditto paid *William Smith*, ...	6	9	1
	To ditto paid *Nathaniel Sweet*, ...	6	16	0
	To ditto paid *George Shearman*, ...	6	16	0
	To ditto paid *John Whitford*, ...	6	12	4
	To ditto paid *Benedict Hamilton*, ...	6	9	1
	To paid paid *Thomas Frazer*, ...	5	8	0
	To ditto paid *Oliver Reynolds*, ...	4	19	4
	To ditto paid *Henry Gardner*, ...	5	16	0
	To ditto paid *Clement Reynolds*, ...	6	11	3
	To ditto paid *Pariſmus Auſtin*, ...	6	9	1
	To ditto paid *Chriſtopher Aylſworth*, ...	6	9	1
	To ditto paid *Caleb Cory*, - - -	6	17	1
	To ditto paid *Caleb Cory*, for *Oliver Cory*, . . .	6	17	1
	To ditto paid *Joſeph Sheffield*, ...	6	10	2
	To ditto paid *Thomas Marſhall*, ...	6	11	3
	To ditto paid *John Wilkey*, ...	1	0	0
	To ditto paid *Nathan Briggs*, ...	6	13	5
	To ditto paid *Peleg Tripp*, ...	6	6	6
	To ditto paid *Benedict Church*, ...	3	18	2
	To ditto paid *Richard Winman*, ...	6	13	5
	To ditto paid *Caſey Eldred*, ...	6	11	3
	To ditto paid *Samuel Hill*, ...	7	1	3
	To ditto paid *Benjamin Jones*, ...	5	6	2
	To ditto paid *Samuel Roſe*, ...	19	18	2
	To ditto paid ditto, for *Levy Money*, ...	16	16	0
	To ditto paid *Iſhmael Wilcox*.	9	12	2
	To ditto paid ditto, for *Levy Money*, ...	3	0	0

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To ditto paid *Jeffery Wilcox*,	12	11	8
To ditto paid ditto, for *Levy Money*,	4	16	0
To ditto paid *Eliſha Inman*,	6	11	3
To ditto paid *Hezekiah Hoar*,	6	10	2
To ditto paid *Hezekiah Mitchell*,	6	16	0
To ditto paid *John Wilkey*,	2	14	9
To ditto paid *Samuel Fones*,	7	7	1
To ditto paid *Eldred Spink*,	1	0	0
To ditto paid *Daniel Greene*,	3	2	6
To ditto paid *Daniel Billington*,	6	16	0
To ditto paid *Charles Berry*,	3	12	0
To ditto paid *David Alverſon*,	6	17	1
To ditto paid *Eldred Spink*,	1	12	0
To ditto paid *Benjamin Cobb*,	6	17	1
To ditto paid *Daniel Cobb*,	6	17	1
To ditto paid *Thomas Alverſon*,	6	17	1
To ditto paid *Jonathan Vaughan*, for *Joſhua George*,	6	17	1
To ditto paid *Benjamin Diman*,	6	9	1
To ditto paid *Daniel Gardner*,	6	16	0
To ditto paid *Ann Gardner*, for billeting *Robert Albro*,	1	4	0
To ditto paid *William Hall*, for *Charles Berry*,	3	5	1
To ditto paid *John Fones*,	6	8	0
To ditto paid *Samuel Roſe*, for *Caleb Allen*,	6	16	0
To ditto paid *Benjamin Young*,	7	1	0
To ditto paid *William Baker*,	6	16	0
To ditto paid *Samuel Roſe*, for *Charles Ceaſar*,	6	16	0
To ditto paid ditto, for *James Pearce*,	6	11	3
To ditto paid *Suſannah Huling*, for billeting *David Reed*,	1	10	10
To ditto paid *Samuel Roſe*, for *J. Boſworth*,	6	13	5
To ditto paid *Daniel Greene*, for *Eldred Spink*,	1	0	0
To ditto paid *Fones Smith*,	6	16	0
To ditto paid *Samuel Gardner*, for *Henry Gardner*,	1	0	0
To ditto paid *Joſeph Hewit*,	6	19	1
To ditto paid *Gregory Cooke*,	7	1	0
To ditto paid *Samuel Jacqways*,	6	9	1
To ditto paid ditto, for billeting 2 Soldiers,	9	0	4
To ditto paid *Eliſha Billington*,	6	9	1
To ditto paid *William Hoar*,	1	0	0
To ditto paid *John Jacqways*,	1	0	0
To ditto paid *George Tanner*,	6	16	0
To ditto paid *David Lillibridge*,	6	16	0
To ditto paid *Abraham Wilcox*,	7	6	0
To ditto paid *Stephen Chappell*,	6	13	6
To ditto paid *Launcelot Larkham*,	6	16	0
To ditto paid *Thomas Rogers*,	6	13	6
To ditto paid *Stephen Popple*,	6	16	0
To ditto paid *Simeon Utter*,	6	16	0
To ditto paid *John Frazer*,	6	4	4
To ditto paid *Thomas Hitt*, for billeting *Rob. Albro*,	2	0	0

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To ditto paid *Silas Gardner*, for billeting *Rob. Albro*,	£. 1	12	0
To ditto paid *Robert Albro*,	1	0	0
To ditto paid *Robert Congdon*,	6	9	1
To ditto paid *Benjamin Stanton*,	6	12	6
To ditto paid *Richard Fiſher*,	6	18	6
To ditto paid *Joſeph Reed*,	6	2	2
To ditto paid *Immanuel Caſe*,	6	4	6
To ditto paid *Samuel Roſe*, for *Samuel Codner*,	6	11	4
To ditto paid ditto, for *Benjamin Cory*,	6	9	1
To ditto paid ditto, for *John Stevens*,	6	9	1
To ditto paid ditto, for *Oliver Babcock*,	6	19	1
To ditto paid ditto, for *John Hollowell*,	6	16	0
To ditto paid ditto, for *John Goodbit*,	6	6	6
To ditto paid *Thomas Potter*, for *Simeon Tucker*,	7	1	0
To ditto paid *William Rathbone*,	6	11	3
To ditto paid *Thomas Smith*,	6	16	0
To ditto paid *William Straight*,	6	16	0
To ditto paid *Robert Aylſworth*,	6	9	1
To ditto paid *Samuel Codner*,	6	9	1
To ditto paid *John Auſtin*,	4	7	2
To ditto paid *Iſaac Matteſon*,	6	8	0
To ditto paid *Nicholas Gardner*, jun. for a Journey to *Providence*, for the Officers Commiſſions,	1	0	0
To ditto paid *William Gardner*, for ditto,	1	0	0
To ditto paid *Mary Chace*, for *John Chace*,	1	0	0
To paid paid *Martha Whitſord*, for *J. Whitſord*,	1	0	3
To ditto paid *Benjamin Weight*, for *John Wilkey*,	1	0	0
To ditto paid *Benoni Albro*, for *Robert Albro*,	1	0	0
To ditto paid *Caleb Gardner*, for *J. Setucks* and *John Niles*,	5	18	2
To ditto paid *Martha Whitford*, for *John Whitford*,	0	5	1
To ditto paid *Stephen Hazard*, for billeting *James Kently*,	2	16	0
To ditto paid *Jonathan Vaughan*, for billeting *John Howard*,	2	9	1
To ditto paid *Joſeph Babcock*, for billeting *John Jacqways*,	2	0	0
To ditto paid *John Franklin*, for Ferriages,	0	12	5¼
To ditto paid *John Roſe*, for Stores,	2	15	7½
To ditto paid *John Weight*, for ditto,	0	16	4¼
To ditto paid *John Raynolds*, for ditto,	0	16	4¼
To ditto paid *Jonathnn Bates*,	1	18	2¼
To ditto paid *Nicholas Gardner*, for 89 Blankets, at 22*s*.	97	18	0
To ditto for 73 Knapſacks, at 3*s*.	10	19	0
To ditto paid *John Roſe*, for *Samuel Roſe*, and Judgment of Court, excluſive of Coſts.	18	5	7
	£. 836	14	7
Commiſſions, at 1½ *per Cent*.	12	11	0
	£. 849	5	7

Creditor.

		Lawful Money.		
1762. *June* 16.	By Cash returned by *Thomas Smith*, £.	12	2	0
	By ditto received of the Gen. Treasurer,	700	0	0
			£. 712	2 0
	Balance due to *Nicholas Gardner*, - -		137	3 7
			£. 849	5 7

In Obedience to the Act of the General Assembly, appointing us (with Mr. *Benjamin Peckham*) to examine the Accounts of *Nicholas Gardner*, Esq; One of the Committee of War, we have examined the aforegoing Account, and seen Receipts for all the Costs therein charged, signed by the Persons who received the same, and find, agreeable to said Account, a Balance of £. 137 : 3 : 7 Lawful Money due to said *Gardner* : All which is submitted by

Francis Willett,
James Helme.

Dr. --- *The Colony of* Rhode-Island,

To our Time in examining the above Account, 1 Day each,	£.	12	0 0
To copying ditto, - - - - - - -		2	0 0
Feb. 17, 1763.	£.	14	0 0

And the Premises being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the foregoing Report be, and the same is hereby accepted : That the Sum of One Hundred and Thirty-seven Pounds Three Shillings and Seven Pence Lawful Money, being the Balance due to *Nicholas Gardner*, Esq; be paid him out of the General Treasury : And that the Sum of Twelve Pounds of the Account of the Committee be allowed, and paid the said *Francis Willett* and *James Helme* out of the General Treasury.

Whereas *Francis Willett*, and *James Helme*, Esqrs. who were appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of *Nicholas Gardner*, Esq; One of the Members of the Committee of War, laid before this Assembly a State of another Account of the said *Nicholas Gardner*, together with their Report thereon, and also an Account by them charged against the Colony, as follows, *to wit :*

We the Subscribers being, by the General Assembly of the Colony of *Rhode-Island*, appointed to settle the Accounts of *Nicholas Gardner*, Esq; (One of the Committee of War) with the Colony aforesaid, having examined the same, find said Accounts to consist of Money paid to and for the Troops raised in this Colony, for which he produced Receipts signed by the Persons who received the same ; and for Blankets, Knapsacks, and Provisions, supplied to and for said Troops. We also find, by Certificates from Mr. *William Richardson*, and the present General Treasurer, That he hath received from the General Treasury the Sum of Money mentioned in the following State of the Accounts.

Dr. ---

Dr. - - - Nicholas Gardner, *Esq*; *to the Colony of* Rhode-Iſland.

1759. *March* 27.	To Caſh, in Lawful Money, received of the General Treaſurer, - - -	£.	1000	0 0
April 27.	To ditto, - - - - -		50	0 0
July 4.	To ditto, - - - - -		200	0 0
Dec. 8.	To ditto, - - - - -		870	0 0
1760. *Feb.* 11.	To ditto, - - - - -		368	0 0
March 24.	To ditto, - - - - -		1000	0 0
May 3.	To ditto, - - - - -		500	0 0
15.	To ditto, - - - - -		950	0 0
Nov. 8.	To ditto, - - - - -		764	8 7
1761. *Feb.* 10.	To ditto, - - - - -		355	0 0
1762. *March* 26.	To ditto, - - - - -		850	0 0
April 27.	To ditto, - - - - -		122	13 6
		£.	7030	2 1
	Balance due to *Nicholas Gardner*, - -		286	3 5
		£.	7316	5 6

Creditor.

		Lawful Money.		
1759.	By Caſh paid to and for the Troops, - -	£.	3533	7 1½
1760. 1761.	By ditto, - - - - -		3199	16 0½
1762.	By ditto paid the Bounties of 95 Soldiers, at £. 5		475	0 0
		£.	7208	3 2
	Commiſſions, at 1½ *per Cent.* - - -		108	2 4
		£.	7316	5 6

N. B. The Levy-Money, Billeting, and Wages for the Soldiers for the preſent Campaign, are not ſettled or included in this Account: Alſo the Accounts of *John Warry*, *John Fones*, *William Hardy*, and *James Hall*, are not fully ſettled, they having inliſted into Winter Service. Submitted by

Exeter, *June* 15th. 1762. *Francis Willett*, *James Helme.*

Colony of Rhode-Iſland *to F. Willett* and *J. Helme* - - - *Dr.*

1762. *June* 15.	To 4 Days each, examining and ſettling the above Accounts, at £. 8 *per* Day, - -	£.	64	0 0

And

And the Premiſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved* That the foregoing Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted : That the Sum of Two Hundred and Eighty-ſix Pounds Three Shillings and Five Pence Lawful Money, being the Balance due to *Nicholas Gardner*, Eſq; agreeable to the foregoing Account, be paid him out of the General Treaſury : That he lay an Account of the Particulars of his Accounts before this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion : And that Forty-eight Pounds of the Account of the Committee be allowed, and paid the ſaid *Francis Willett* and *James Helme* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas Mr. *Daniel Vaughan*, Gunner of Fort *George*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That the Wages of the Gunner of ſaid Fort hath always been Forty Shillings *per* Month higher than the Wages of the Common Soldiers, until the laſt Year, when the Pay of the Soldiers was raiſed to Fifty-five Pounds per Month, without taking any Notice of the Gunner. And thereupon the ſaid *Daniel Vaughan* prayed this Aſſembly to raiſe his Wages, as Gunner of ſaid Fort, to Fifty-ſeven Pounds *per* Month.

On Conſideration whereof,

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid *Daniel Vaughan* be allowed Wages at the Rate of Fifty-ſeven Pounds *per* Month for the preſent Year : And Mr. *James Carr*, late Gunner of the ſaid Fort, be allowed the ſame Wages for the laſt Year, including what he hath already received.

Whereas Mr. *John Warkham* exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Repairs by him made to the Gaol in the County of *Newport* : And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed ; and that Fourteen Pounds Six Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *John Warkman* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Simeon Perry*, *Joſeph Hazard*, and *Rowland Robinſon*, Eſqrs. exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for attending, One Day each, at *Little-Reſt*, to audit the Accounts of *Nicholas Gardner*, Eſq; And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed ; and that Eighteen Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Simeon Perry*, *Joſeph Hazard*, and *Rowland Robinſon*, out of the General Treaſury.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Fine for robbing or drawing any Fiſh Pots, Wairs, or Nets, within this Colony, be, and the ſame is hereby augmented to Forty Shillings Lawful Money for every Offence.

Whereas *Benedict Helme*, Eſq; of *South-Kingſtown*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That he is become inſolvent, and incapable of paying his juſt Debts : That ſome Time ſince, a Number of *Non Eſt* Bonds and Deeds of the Colony's were lodged in his Hands : That he collected between Three and Four Thouſand Pounds,

Pounds, at a great Expence and Trouble, which is due from him to the Colony: That he hath Part of the ſaid Bonds and Deeds now in his Poſſeſſion, which he is ready to account for: That having been appointed Clerk of the Superior Court within and for the County of *King's County*, he found the Papers belonging to ſaid Office in the utmoſt Confuſion and Diſorder, which was occaſioned by the Death of his Predeceſſor, the Papers being then thrown into a large Trunk and Deſk, among his private Papers: That to put them into good Order, took a great Part of his Time while he ſuſtained the ſaid Office. And the ſaid *Benedict Helme* further repreſented, That he was ſued to account for the ſaid Bonds and Deeds, at the Inferior Court held in *November* laſt, and Judgment was given againſt him by Default: That he appealed from thence to the Superior Court, that he might have an Opportunity of laying his Accounts before the General Aſſembly: That the carrying on the ſaid Action againſt him will be only rendering him ſtill poorer, if poſſible; and when Execution is iſſued out, he muſt unavoidably go to Gaol, and leave his Wife and ſeveral ſmall Children without any Support. And thereupon the ſaid *Benedict Helme* prayed this Aſſembly to put a Stop to the ſaid Action, and appoint a Committee to audit his Accounts, and receive the Bonds and Deeds which he hath in his Hands; and alſo to enquire into the Trouble and Expence he hath been at in collecting the ſaid Money, and putting the Office of Clerk of the Superior Court in Order.

On Conſideration whereof,

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That *Joſeph Hazard*, *Rowland Robinſon*, and *Thomas Potter*, jun. Eſqrs. be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of the ſaid *Benedict Helme*; and alſo to take into Conſideration the Subject Matter of the foregoing Petition, and make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion: And that in the mean Time Execution be ſtayed.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to *Gideon Comſtock*, Eſq; the Sum of Eighty-one Pounds Eight Shillings and Four Pence Lawful Money out of the General Treaſury; the ſaid *Comſtock* being accountable to the Colony for the ſame: That the Gentlemen appointed at the laſt Seſſion to audit his Accounts, be, and they are hereby continued a Committee for that Purpoſe; and that they make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

Whereas Meſſrs. *Job Bennet*, jun. *John Bours*, and *Walter Cranſton*, who were appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of Col. *John Whiting* with the Colony, preſented to this Aſſembly a State of his Account, together with their Report thereon, and alſo an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, as follows, *to wit*:

Dr. --- *The Colony of* Rhode-Iſland *with* John Whiting.

1762.	To Caſh. paid the Bounties of 16 Soldiers, inliſted for the Regular Service, and returned to Lieut. *Newland*, agreeable to Act of Government, at £. 5 Lawful Money, - - - - - - -	£.	80	0 0

To ditto paid 7 Soldiers inliſted for ſaid Service at Fort *Stanwix*, and returned to Capt. *Baugh*, commanding Officer at ſaid Place, at £. 5	£. 35	0	0
To the Levy Money for 23 Soldiers, agreeable to Act of Government, at 30*s.* - - - - -	34	10	0
To *Rogers'* and *Ireſon's* Account for purſuing and taking 2 Deſerters, - - - - -	7	7	2½
To *George Lawton*, Priſon-Keeper, his Bill, - -	1	6	11½
To the Balance due to the Colony, - -	21	5	6½
	£. 179	9	8½

Creditor.

1762. By Caſh received of the General Treaſurer, by the Hands of *John Gardner*, Eſq; - -	£. 94	15	6
By ditto received of *John Bours*, Eſq; - -	84	14	2½
	£. 179	9	8½

Newport, *June* 9th, 1763.

We the Subſcribers being appointed a Committee, by the Hon. General Aſſemby, to audit the Accounts of Col. *John Whiting* with the Colony, do report, That we have carefully examined the ſame, and find them well vouched: That the above is a fair State of the ſame, whereby it appears, That there is a Balance of Twenty-one Pounds Five Shillings and Six Pence Half Penny Lawful Money due to the Colony from the ſaid *Whiting*.

Job Bennet, jun.
John Bours,
Walter Cranſton,
} Committee.

The Colony Dr. to the above Committee.

For our Time and Trouble in auditing the above Accounts, £. 12 0 0

And the Premiſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted: That the Sum of Twenty-one Pounds Five Shillings and Six Pence Half Penny, being the Balance due from the ſaid *John Whiting*, be diſcounted out of the Demands he hath againſt the Colony: That the Account of the Committee be allowed; and that Twelve Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid to the ſaid *Job Bennet*, jun. *John Bours*, and *Walter Cranſton*, out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas Capt. *Simeon Potter*, of *Briſtol*, preferred a Petition unto the General Aſſembly, at the Seſſion held in *Providence*, on the laſt Wedneſday in *October* laſt, and repreſented, That at the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, held at *Briſtol*, in *November*, 1761, a Bill of Indictment was preferred by *Shearjaſhub Bourn*,

Bourn, Eſq; (who was ſpecially appointed King's Attorney) againſt him, for an Aſſault ſaid to be made upon the Rev. Mr. *John Uſher* : That the Grand Jury having found the Bill *Ignoramus*, in Amount but conceived in ſome Words that ſeemed as if their finding was *Special*, were ſent out again, although he ought thereupon to have been diſmiſſed ; and were directed by the Court, and the ſaid Mr. *Bourn*, in ſuch a Manner, as (in his Opinion) is directly contrary to Law, and his Liberties and Privileges as a King's Subject : That when his Trial came on before the Petit Jury, he was hardly dealt with by the Sheriff, who took up Taleſmen, whoſe Minds were prejudiced by Clamor, and who had prejudged the Cauſe : That upon Examination of the Witneſſes, divers of them gave Anſwers directly contrary to their Depoſitions in Writing, taken in the Caſe by ſaid *Uſher* againſt the Petitioner, for Damages : And that the Fine ſet by the Court was exceſſive, being Five Hundred Pounds : And thereupon the ſaid *Simeon Potter* prayed the Aſſembly; That the ſaid Bill, Conviction, Sentence, and Records may be nullified, and rendered abſolutely void ; and that he be not compelled to pay the aforeſaid exceſſive Mulct of Five Hundred Pounds and Coſt.

The ſaid Petition having been referred, from Time to Time, from *October* Seſſion to this preſent Seſſion, and being now duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is granted.

Whereas *Samuel Brenton*, Eſq; repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That His Majeſty's Gaol in the County of *Newport* is very much out of Repair, and in its preſent Situation is very likely to endanger the Health of the Priſoners, and alſo is not ſufficiently ſecure to prevent Priſoners from making their Eſcape.

On Conſideration whereof,

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That his Honor the Deputy Governor, and the ſaid *Samuel Brenton*, be, and they are hereby empowered and directed to make ſuch Repairs in the ſaid Gaol, as ſhall be neceſſary, at the Expence of the Colony.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That there be allowed, and paid to *John Dexter*, Eſq; out of the General Treaſury, in full for glazing the Court-Houſe in *Providence*, the Sum of Two Thouſand Two Hundred Pounds Old Tenor, with Intereſt from the Time the ſame became due, until paid.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That *George Hazard*, Eſq; and Meſſrs. *Walter Cranſton*, and *Edward Thurſton*, jun. be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of the Secretary ; and that they make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That *Daniel Jenckes*, Eſq; be, and he is hereby requeſted and empowered to examine the Accounts of all the Members of the Committee of War in the County of *Providence*, as well thoſe who have heretofore been, as thoſe now in Office ; and if he cannot thereby diſcover that the Account of Lieut. *Olcut*, *Thomas Pitkin*, jun.

jun. *Timothy Kimbal*, and *Rebeccah Webſter* (now preſented unto this Aſſembly) have been paid, that he draw an Order on the General Treaſurer for Payment thereof.

WHEREAS the Hon. *John Andrews*, Eſq; Commiſſary and Judge of His Majeſty's Court of Vice Admiralty within this Colony, preſented a Memorial unto this Aſſembly, and repreſented, That at the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, held at *Providence* in *December* laſt, he was ſued by the Governor and Company of this Colony for the Time being; which Court entered up Judgment againſt him for Twelve Hundred and Sixty-five Pounds Seven Shillings and Eight Pence Old Tenor; and that Execution is iſſued againſt him for the ſaid Sum: Which Memorial (containing divers Matters) being conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is referred unto the next Seſſion of Aſſembly: And that in the mean Time the Execution therein mentioned, be ſtayed.

WHEREAS *Joſias Arnold*, Eſq; preſented unto this Aſſembly the following State of his Account with the Colony, *to wit*:

Dr. -- *The Colony of* Rhode-Iſland *(for the Light-Houſe) to* Joſias Arnold.

To keeping the Light-Houſe, *&c.* by Act of the General Aſſembly, from the 17th of *Novem.* 1759, to the 17th of *Novem.* 1760, at £. 18 : 15 : 0 Sterling *per* Year, which is equal to 83⅓ Dollars, at £. 6. - - - -	£. 500	0 0
To keeping ditto from the 17th of *Novem.* 1760, to the 17th of *May*, 1762, is 1½ Year, at £. 18 : 15 : 0 Sterling, equal to 125 Dollars, at £. 7. - - - - -	875	0 0
	£. 1375	0 0

Creditor.

1760. *Dec.*	By Caſh of *George Gardner*,	£. 168 17 9	
	By ditto of ditto, - - - - -	84 0 0	
1761. *Feb.*	By ditto of ditto, - - - - -	100 0 0	
June.	By ditto of ditto, - - - - -	180 0 0	
		£. 532 17 9	
1762. *April*	By ditto of *Benjamin Wickham*, - - - - - -	76 3 4	
		£. 609 1 1	
May 17th.	Balance due to *Joſias Arnold*, - - -	765 18 11	
		£. 1375 0 0	

AND the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted and allowed; and that the Sum of Seven Hundred and Sixty-five Pounds Eighteen Shillings and

and Eleven Pence, being the Balance thereof, be paid, with Intereſt, to the ſaid *Joſias Arnold*, by the Sheriff of the County of *Newport*, out of the Money recovered by the General Treaſurer, by a Judgment of Court againſt Lieut. Col. *Benjamin Wickham*; the Execution of which Judgment is returnable to next *Auguſt* Court.

WHEREAS Mr. *John Aplin* exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Services as an Attorney in commencing and proſecuting ſeveral Actions in Behalf of the Colony, by Order of the General Aſſembly: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Five Hundred and Seventeen Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *John Aplin* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Jonathan Jeffers* exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Six Days Attendance upon this Aſſembly, during the preſent Seſſion: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Twenty-one Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Jonathan Jeffers* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *Samuel Brown*, and *Thomas Bailey*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for their Attendance upon this Aſſembly during the preſent Seſſion, Six Days each: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Forty-two Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Samuel Brown* and *Thomas Bailey*, out of the General Treaſury.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That all Officers, who were to have been choſen at this Seſſion of Aſſembly, and were not, be, and they are hereby continued in their reſpective Offices until the next Seſſion, with as full Power and ample Authority as they have at any Time had ſince their Firſt Appointment.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion: That the Secretary publiſh by Beat of Drum, in the Town of *Newport*, the Acts and Orders now made and paſſed, within Ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, and within Thirty, ſend Copies thereof to each Town Clerk in this Colony: And that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned to the Firſt Monday in *Auguſt* next, then to meet at *Newport*.

GOD Save the KING.

PUBLISHED according to Order, the Twenty-ſeventh Day of *June*, 1763.

By HENRY WARD, *Secr'y.*

A true Copy, duly examined.

WITNESS, Henry Ward Secry

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At the GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of RHODE-ISLAND, and PROVIDENCE Plantations, in *New-England*, in *America*; begun and holden by Adjournment at *Newport*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on the Firſt Monday in *Auguſt*, in the Year of our LORD One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-three, and Third of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty *GEORGE* the Third, by the Grace of GOD, KING of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Hon. STEPHEN HOPKINS, *Eſq*; *Governor.*

The Hon. JOHN GARDNER, *Eſq*; *Deputy-Governor.*

JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq;
PELEG THURSTON, Eſq;
NICHOLAS TILLINGHAST, Eſq;
DARIUS SESSIONS, Eſq;
JOHN ALMY, Eſq;
} Aſſiſtants.

JOSEPH LIPPITT, Eſq;
JONATHAN RANDALL, Eſq;
SAMUEL BROWNELL, Eſq;
JOSEPH HAZARD, Eſq;
THOMAS CHURCH, Eſq;
} Aſſiſtants.

The SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES from the ſeveral Towns.

The Hon. JOHN DEXTER, Eſq; Speaker.

NEWPORT;
Mr. *Gideon Wanton*, jun.
Mr. *John Wanton*, (Son of *Gideon*)
George Hazard, Eſq;
Mr. *Benjamin Greene*,
Daniel Ayrault, jun. Eſq;
Capt. *William Read.*

PROVIDENCE;
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq;
Mr. *George Jackſon*,
James Angell, Eſq;
Mr. *Eſeck Hopkins.*

PORTSMOUTH;

PORTSMOUTH ;
John Shearman, jun. Eſq;
David Anthony, Eſq;
Mr. *Thomas Brownel*,
Mr. *Enoch Butts*.
WARWICK ;
Philip Greene, Eſq;
Othniel Gorton, Eſq;
Col. *James Arnold*,
Mr. *Abraham Chace*.
WESTERLY ;
Col. *William Pendleton*,
Mr. *George Sheffield*.
NEW-SHOREHAM ;
None.
NORTH-KINGSTOWN ;
Mr. *Ezekiel Gardner*,
Mr. *Samuel Boone*, jun.
SOUTH-KINGSTOWN ;
Mr. *Rowland Robinſon*,
Mr. *Stephen Haſzard*, jun.
EAST-GREENWICH ;
Major *John Arnold*,
Thomas Aldrich, Eſq;
JAMESTOWN ;
Mr. *Nicholas Carr*.
SMITHFIELD ;
Mr. *Stephen Whipple*.
SCITUATE ;
Job Randall, Eſq;
Charles Harris, Eſq;
GLOUCESTER ;
Richard Steere, Eſq;
CHARLESTOWN ;
Robert Potter, Eſq;
John Champlin, Eſq;
WEST-GREENWICH ;
Capt. *Charles Carr*,
Benjamin Tillinghaſt, Eſq;
COVENTRY ;
Caleb Greene, Eſq;
Obadiah Johnſon, Eſq;
EXETER ;
John Chapman, Eſq;
MIDDLETOWN ;
Mr. *James Barker*, jun.
William Baley, Eſq;
BRISTOL ;
Mr. *William Bradford*,
Capt. *Simeon Potter*.
TIVERTON ;
Mr. *Jonathan Davel*,
Samuel Durfee, Eſq;
LITTLE-COMPTON ;
William Hall, Eſq;
Oliver Hilyard, Eſq;
WARREN ;
Mr. *Cromell Child*,
Major *Nathaniel Peck*.
CUMBERLAND ;
The Speaker.
Job Bartlet, Eſq;
RICHMOND ;
Capt. *Benjamin Barber*,
Mr. *David Potter*.
CRANSTON ;
Mr. *Matthew Manchester*,
Capt. *Richard Searle*, jun.
HOPKINTON ;
Joſhua Clarke, Eſq;
JOHNSTON ;
Mr. *John Brown*.
Mr. *Andrew Harris*.

JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

WHEREAS *Joſhua Clarke*, Eſq; exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Services performed by him in 1758, in examining into the Quantity of Iron made at the Iron-Works, by Order of Aſſembly. And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed ; and that Eleven Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Joſhua Clarke* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS

WHEREAS by a Letter from *Joſeph Sherwood*, Eſq; the Agent for this Colony in *Great-Britain*, incloſing the Agreement entered into by the Agents of the ſeveral Colonies in *North-America*, reſpecting the Apportionment of the Parliamentary Grant to the ſaid Colonies for the Campaign in the Year 1760, it appears that there is due to this Colony the Sum of One Thouſand Nine Hundred and Ten Pounds Three Shillings Sterling from the Province of *Pennſylvania*, and the Sum of Six Hundred and Thirty-one Pounds Twelve Shillings Sterling from the Colony of *Connecticut*, this Colony having received ſo much leſs than their juſt Proportion of the ſaid Grant. *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That his Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requeſted to tranſmit authentic Copies of the ſaid Agreement to the Province of *Pennſylvania*, and the Colony of *Connecticut*, and requeſt them to order the Payment of the aforeſaid Sums.

WHEREAS Mr. *Peter Porèe*, now reſiding in *Newport*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That he is a Subject of His Moſt Chriſtian Majeſty, and hath reſided many Years in the *French Weſt-Indies*: That he hath lately removed into this Colony, with Deſign to inhabit here, and is deſirous of being under the Protection of, and becoming a Subject to, the King of *Great-Britain*. And thereupon the ſaid *Peter Porèe* prayed this Aſſembly to paſs an Act of Naturalization in his Favour for that Purpoſe.

On Conſideration whereof,

BE *it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted*, That the ſaid *Peter Porèe* be, and he is hereby naturalized, and forever hereafter ſhall be adjudged, deemed, and taken to be naturalized to all Intents and Purpoſes; and hereby is rendered and made equal, in every Reſpect, to a Freeborn Subject of this Colony: *Provided* he take the proper Oaths.

AND afterwards, *to wit*, on the Third Day of this Inſtant *Auguſt*, the ſaid *Peter Porèe*, in his own proper Perſon, came before their Honors the Governor, the Deputy-Governor, and the other Members of the Upper Houſe, and took and ſubſcribed the Oaths appointed by Act of Parliament.

WHEREAS his Honor the Deputy-Governor, *Simon Peaſe*, and *Daniel Ayrault*, jun. Eſqrs. and Mr. *Nathaniel Mumford*, preſented unto this Aſſembly the following Report, and Account by them charged againſt the Colony, *to wit*:

Newport, *July* 19th, 1763.

WE the Subſcribers (with *Thomas Cranſton*, Eſq;) being appointed by the Hon. General Aſſembly, at their Seſſion in *Newport*, in *May* laſt, to receive of *Edward Thurſton*, Eſq; Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office, all the Loan Money in his Hands, and to burn the ſame: And alſo to receive of *Joſeph Clarke*, Eſq; General Treaſurer, all the Lawful Money Bills emitted in the Months of *May* and *December*, *A. D.* 1758, (which he has received for Bills of Exchange, drawn by him on the Colony's Agent in *Great-Britain*) and to burn the ſame, do report,

That

That we, in Purſuance of ſaid Appointment, have received of *Edward Thurſton*, Eſq; the Sum of Thirty-ſeven Thouſand Two Hundred and Forty-ſix Pounds Fourteen Shillings Old Tenor, but having found among ſaid Money Four Thouſand and Eighty Pounds of the Bills emitted in 1750, we ſaved that Sum from the Flames, and left it in ſaid Office, until we could know your Honors Determination about it; which Sum being deducted from the £.37,246 14*s.* leaves Thirty-three Thouſand One Hundred and Sixty-ſix Pounds Fourteen Shillings Old Tenor, which we have burnt. And we have alſo received and burnt the Sum of Five Thouſand Five Hundred and Sixty-ſix Pounds Seven Shillings and Nine Pence of the Bills emitted in 1750, it being Part of the Firſt Payment of that Emiſſion.

We have alſo received of *Joſeph Clarke*, Eſq; the Sum of Ten Thouſand and Fifty-five Pounds and Nine Pence of the Lawful Money Bills, Principal, emitted in *May* and *December*, 1758, which, with the Intereſt, amounts to Twelve Thouſand and Ninety-five Pounds Ten Shillings and Three Pence Half Penny, and have burnt the ſame; which Sum, as the Bills of Exchange were drawn at Five *per Cent.* above Par, makes the Sterling Sum amount to Eight Thouſand Six Hundred and Thirty-nine Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Half penny, as your Honors may ſee by the Account ſubjoined.

Old Tenor, - - -	£.33166	14	0
Bills emitted in 1750, - -	5566	7	9
	£.38733	1	9 Burnt.

	Principal.			Intereſt added.			Sterling.		
May, 1758,	£.2849	19	3	£.3490	10	1½	£.2493	4	4½
December, 1758,	7205	1	6	8605	0	1½	6146	18	7½
	£.10055	0	9	£.12095	10	3½	£.8639	13	0½

John Gardner,
Simon Peaſe,
Daniel Ayrault, jun.
Nathaniel Mumford.

Colony of Rhode-Iſland *Dr. to* John Gardner, Simon Peaſe, Daniel Ayrault, *jun. and* Nathaniel Mumford.

	Lawful Money.		
For 9 Days Attendance on the above Buſineſs, by *Simon Peaſe* and *Nathaniel Mumford* each, is 18 Days, at 6*s.*	£.5	8	0
For 8 Days Attendance by *John Gardner* and *Daniel Ayrault*, jun. each, 16 Days, at 6*s.* - - - - -	4	16	0
	£.10	4	0

And the Premiſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted: That the Account of the Committee be allowed; and that Ten Pounds Four Shillings Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *John Gardner*, *Simon Peaſe*, *Daniel Ayrault*, jun. and *Nathaniel Mumford*, out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas

WHEREAS Col. *Joſeph Wanton* jun. and Meſſrs. *John Warren* and *Robert Carr*, who were appointed a Committee to receive from the late Captain of Fort *George*, all the Stores belonging to the Colony at ſaid Fort, and deliver them to the preſent Captain, laid before this Aſſembly an Inventory of the ſaid Stores, and the Receipt given by Capt. *Samuel Carr*: And alſo made the following Report, *to wit*:

IN Purſuance of a Vote of the Hon. General Aſſembly, we have received of Mr. *Caleb Carr*, the former Lieutenant of Fort *George*, the within mentioned Articles, and have given him a Receipt for the ſame, and delivered them to Capt. *Samuel Carr*, whoſe Receipt, with an Inventory of the Stores, are here ſubjoined.

We are the Aſſembly's
Moſt humble Servants,

N. B. *No Pay required.*

Joſeph Wanton, jun.
John Warren,
Robert Carr,
} Committee.

On Conſideration whereof,

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *Pardon Tillinghaſt*, and *Edward Thurſton*, jun. preſented unto this Aſſembly the following Report, and Account by them charged againſt the Colony, *to wit*:

Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, *&c.*

To the Hon. General Aſſembly of ſaid Colony, now ſitting at Newport.

IN Purſuance of a Vote of your Honors, at *May* Seſſion of Aſſembly, we the Subſcribers have received of the late Clerk of the Superior Court, *&c.* for the County of *Newport*, the Books of Record, Files of Papers, and every Thing elſe belonging to ſaid Office, and delivered them to *John Grelea*, Eſq; the preſent Clerk of ſaid Court, agreeable to the Receipt herewith preſented.

Newport, *June* 18th, 1763.

Pardon Tillinghaſt,
Edward Thurſton, jun.

The Colony Dr.---

To our Time in peforming the above Buſineſs, - - £. 12 0 0

AND the Premiſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted: That the Account of the Committee be allowed; and that Twelve Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Pardon Tillinghaſt* and *Edward Thurſton*, jun. out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Silas Spencer*, Keeper of His Majeſty's Gaol in the County of *Kent*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Caſh by him paid for repairing the ſaid Gaol,

and for providing Locks and other Neceſſaries for the ſame: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Sixty-two Pounds Five Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Silas Spencer* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Simeon Munro*, and *Stephen Wardwell*, Eſq; preſented unto this Aſſembly the following Report, and Account by them charged againſt the Colony, *to wit:*

To the Hon. General Aſſembly, ſitting at Newport.

WE the Subſcribers, Two of the Committee appointed by the General Aſſembly, to receive the Seals, Records, and Files of Papers, of the late Clerks of the Superior and Inferior Courts, and deliver them to the preſent Clerks; have accordingly performed the ſaid Buſineſs, and given and taken Receipts for the ſame, as directed.

Briſtol, June 15th, 1763. *Simeon Munro.*
Stephen Wardwell.

Colony of Rhode-Iſland *to* Simeon Munro *and* Stephen Wardwell - - *Dr.*

1763.		Lawful Money.
June.	To our Time, One Day each, at 6*s. per* Day, -	£. 0 12 0

AND the Premiſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted: That the Account of the Committee be allowed; and that Twelve Shillings Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Simeon Munro* and *Stephen Wardwell* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *Othniel Gorton*, *Thomas Aldrich*, and *Nathan Rice*, Eſqrs. exhibited unto this Aſſembly the following Account, *to wit:*

Colony of Rhode-Iſland *to* Othniel Gorton, Thomas Aldrich, *and* Nathan Rice - - - *Dr.*

1763. *May* 23.	To One Day each, in ſhifting the Records, Files of Papers, and every Thing elſe belonging to the Clerk's Office of the Superior Court of Judicature, *&c.* for the County of *Kent*; and likewiſe for ſhifting the Records, Files of Papers, and every Thing elſe belonging to the Clerk's Office of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Seſſions of the Peace for the County of *Kent*, at £. 6 *per* Day,	£. 18 0 0

AND the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Eighteen Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Othniel Gorton*, *Thomas Aldrich*, and *Nathan Rice*, out of the General Treaſury. IT

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That *Daniel Jenckes*, *Thomas Aldrich*, and *William-Bailey*, Eſqrs. be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to prepare a Bill for the deſtroying Barberry Buſhes in this Colony.

BOTH Houſes being reſolved into a Grand Commitee, choſe the following Perſons to ſerve the Colony in the Offices aſcribed to their Names reſpectively, *to wit :*

Joſhua Babcock, Eſq; Chief
Thomas Cranſton, Eſq; Second
John Cole, Eſq; - - - Third
Thomas Greene, Eſq; Fourth
Silas Niles, Eſq; - - - Fifth
} Juſtice of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, in and throughout the Colony.

Benjamin Sherburne, Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Newport*.

Charles Olney, Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*.

John Potter, (the Third) Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *King's County*.

Sylveſter Child, Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Briſtol*.

John Waterman, Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kent*.

Jabez Champlin, Eſq; Lieutenant-Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Newport*.

Thomas Angell, Eſq; Lieutenant-Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*.

John Crandal, Eſq; Lieutenant-Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *King's County*.

Thomas Church, Eſq; Lieutenant-Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Briſtol*.

Joab Stafford, Eſq; Lieutenant-Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kent*.

Charles Spooner, Eſq; Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Newport*.

Rufus Smith, Eſq; Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*.

Elias Thompſon, Eſq; Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *King's County*.

Samuel Pearce, Eſq; Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Briſtol*.

Henry Gardner, Eſq; Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kent*.

Iſaac Dayton, Captain
William James, (Son of *John*) Lieutenant
Sanford Gardner, Cornet
Benjamin Mumford, Quarter-Maſter
} Of the Firſt Troop of Horſe in the County of *Newport*.

Joſeph Taylor, Captain
Walter Wilbore, Lieutenant
Gideon Almy, Cornet
John Hunt, jun. Quarter-Maſter
} Of the Second Troop of Horſe in the County of *Newport*.

Nathaniel

Nathaniel Wheaton, Captain
Benjamin Knight, 1ſt Lieutenant
Benjamin Gould, 2d Lieutenant
Ephraim Pearce, Quarter-Maſter
} Of the Troop of Horſe in the County of *Providence*.

Officers to command the reſpective Trained Bands, or Companies of Militia, in the Colony.

NEWPORT.
Firſt Company;
John Gardner, (*Son of* William) *Captain.*
Anthony Shaw, *Lieutenant.*
John Carr, *Enſign.*
Second Company;
Thomas George, *Captain.*
James Clarke, *Lieutenant.*
Benjamin Baker, *Enſign.*
Third Company;
May Davis, *Captain.*
Greene Rogers, *Lieutenant.*
James Carter, *Enſign.*
Fourth Company;
Jethro Spooner, *Captain.*
Ezra Pope, *Lieutenant.*
Samuel Cranſton, *Enſign.*

PROVIDENCE.
Firſt Company;
Barnard Eddy, *Captain.*
Daniel Snow, *Lieutenant.*
Amos Kinnicut, *Enſign.*
Second Company;
Luther Hawkins, *Captain.*
Ephraim Whipple, *Lieutenant.*
Amos Hopkins, *jun. Enſign.*
Third Company;
Nathaniel Balch, *Captain.*
John Hawkins, *Lieutenant.*
Dexter Brown, *Enſign.*

PORTSMOUTH.
Firſt Company;
Caleb Siſſon, *Captain.*
George Cornell, (*Son of* Walter) *Lieutenant.*
Job Shearman, *Enſign.*
Second Company;
Joſhua Allen, *Captain.*
Thomas Allen, *Lieutenant.*
William Remington, *Enſign.*

WARWICK.
Firſt Company;
Thomas Warner, *Captain.*
William Gorton, *jun. Lieutenant.*
Stephen Greene, *Enſign.*
Second Company;
Peleg Salſbury, *Captain.*
Nathan Miller, *Lieutenant.*
George Briggs, *Enſign.*
Third Company;
John Ladd, *Captain.*
Thomas Tibbits, *Lieutenant.*
Peter Lavelly, *Enſign.*

WESTERLY.
Firſt Company;
Abraham Lewis, *Captain.*
John Cottrell, *Lieutenant.*
Eliſha Berry, *Enſign.*
Second Company;
Joſeph Noyes, *Captain.*
Samuel Champlin, *Lieutenant.*
Stephen Gavet, *Enſign.*

NEW-SHOREHAM.
Joſias Sheffield, *Captain.*
Nathaniel Littlefield, (*Son of* Samuel) *Lieutenant.*
Jeremiah Mitchell, *Enſign.*

NORTH-KINGSTOWN.
Firſt Company;
John Dyre, *Captain.*
Bartholomew Hunt, *Lieutenant.*
John Ayleſworth, *Enſign.*
Second Company;
Joſeph Taylor, *Captain.*
Rowſe Northup, *Lieutenant.*
Jedediah Kingſley, *Enſign.*
Third Company;
Joſeph Eldred, *Captain.*
Peleg Briggs, *Lieutenant.*
Joſeph Caſe, *jun. Enſign.*

SOUTH-

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN;
Firſt Company;
Chriſtopher Gardner, *(Son of* Henry) *Captain.*
William Greenman, *Lieutenant.*
Thomas Carpenter, *jun. Enſign.*
Second Company.
William Wilcox, *Captain.*
Joſeph Carpenter, *Lieutenant.*
Jeremiah Brown, *jun. Enſign.*

EAST-GREENWICH.
Firſt Company;
Peleg Weaver, *Captain.*
Joſeph Cornell, *Lieutenant.*
Silas Spencer, *Enſign.*
Second Company;
Joſiah Jones. *Captain.*
Samuel Tarbox, *(Son of* John) *Lieut.*
Tho. Briggs, *(Son of* Francis) *Enſign.*

JAMESTOWN.
Benjamin Underwood, *Captain.*
James Carr, *jun. Lieutenant.*
Gerſhom Remington, *jun. Enſign.*

SMITHFIELD.
Firſt Company.
William Whipple, *Captain.*
Gideon Paine, *Lieutenant.*
Charles Angell, *Enſign.*
Second Company;
Samuel Aldrich, *Captain.*
Eliſha Mowrey, *Lieutenant.*
Samuel Cruff, *Enſign.*
Third Company;
Daniel Smith, *(Son of* Wm.) *Capt.*
Joſeph Mowrey, *(the Third) Lieut.*
John Smith, *(Son of* John) *Enſign.*

SCITUATE.
Firſt Company;
Amos Hammond, *Captain.*
John Edwards, *jun. Lieutenant.*
Joſiah Colvin, *Enſign.*
Second Company;
Nathaniel Herrington, *Captain.*
John Randall, *Lieutenant.*
Joſiah Herrington, *jun. Enſign.*
Third Company;
Stephen Smith, *Captain.*
Thomas Matteſon, *jun Lieutenant.*
Joſiah Kimbal, *jun. Enſign.*
Fourth Company;
Joſeph Weatherhead, *Captain.*
John Round, *Lieutenant.*
Jonathan Pray, *Enſign.*

GLOUCESTER.
Firſt Company;
William Hawkins, *Captain.*
Hezekiah Tinkom, *Lieutenant.*
Elijah Hawkins, *Enſign.*
Second Company;
Joſeph Harris, *Captain.*
William Roſs, *Lieutenant.*
Edward Inman, *jun. Enſign.*
Third Company;
Benjamin Barrett, *Captain.*
William Phillips, *Lieutenant.*
William Bowdiſh, *Enſign.*

CHARLESTOWN.
John Stanton, *Captain.*
Benjamin Kinyon, *Lieutenant.*
Joſeph Clarke, *jun. Enſign.*

WEST-GREENWICH.
Firſt Company;
William Jenckes, *Captain.*
Jeremiah Greene, *Lieutenant.*
Henry Hopkins, *Enſign.*
Second Company;
John Baſs, *Captain.*
Timothy Carpenter, *Lieutenant.*
Thomas Comſtock, *jun. Enſign.*
Third Company;
Philip Ayleſworth, *Captain.*
David Ayleſworth, *Lieutenant.*
Thomas Wilcox, *Enſign.*

COVENTRY.
Firſt Company;
Matthew Remington, *Captain.*
Oliver Potter, *Lieutenant.*
Joſeph Burlingame, *Enſign.*
Second Company;
Caleb Bates, *Captain.*
James Gibſon, *Lieutenant.*
Daniel Weaver, *Enſign.*

EXETER.
Firſt Company;
Hopſon Wilcox, *Captain.*
Nathaniel Cottrell, *Lieutenant.*
Henry Herrington, *Enſign.*

Second Company ;
William Hiams, *Captain.*
Samuel Hill, *Lieutenant.*
Thomas Barber, *Enſign.*

MIDDLETOWN.
Jonathan Weeden, *Captain.*
Philip Peckham, *Lieutenant.*
William Greene, *Enſign.*

BRISTOL.
Newbey Coggeſhall, *Captain.*
William Martin, *Lieutenant.*
Richard Pearce, *Enſign.*

TIVERTON.
Firſt Company ;
Thomas Gray, *jun. Captain.*
William Sanford, *Lieutenant.*
Walter Cooke, *Enſign.*
Second Company ;
Jonathan Luther, *Captain.*
Pierce Perry, *Lieutenant.*
Stephen Gifford, *Enſign.*

LITTLE-COMPTON.
Abial Cooke, *Captain.*
John Wood, *jun. Lieutenant.*
Aaron Davis, *Enſign.*

WARREN.
Firſt Company ;
Ezra Ormſby, *Captain.*
Iſaac Cole, *Lieutenant.*
Daniel Cole, *Enſign.*
Second Company ;
Nathaniel Martin, *Captain.*
Samuel Kent, *Lieutenant.*
Elkanah Humphrey, *Enſign.*

CUMBERLAND.
Firſt Company ;
Benjamin Tower, *Captain.*
John Grant, *Lieutenant.*
John Biſhop, *Enſign.*
Second Company ;
John Fiſke, *Captain.*
Jeremiah Inman, *Lieutenant.*
Nathan Arnold, *Enſign.*

RICHMOND.
David Larkin, *Captain.*
Joſhua Clarke, *Lieutenant.*
Job Hoxſie, *Enſign.*

CRANSTON.
Firſt Company ;
Samuel Weſtcote, *Captain.*
Iſrael Randall, *Lieutenant.*
John Dyre, *Enſign.*
Second Company ;
John Pitcher, *Captain.*
Chriſtopher Williams, *Lieutenant.*
Stephen Arnold, *Enſign.*
Third Company ;
Thomas Searle, *Captain.*
Thomas Potter, *Lieutenant.*
Lippitt Remington, *Enſign.*

HOPKINTON.
Firſt Company ;
Roger White, *Captain.*
Thomas Maccoon, *Lieutenant.*
Nathaniel Wells, *jun. Enſign.*
Second Company ;
Eliſha Maccoon, *Captain.*
Zaccheus Reynolds, *jun. Lieutenant.*
William Thurſton, *Enſign.*

JOHNSTON.
Zechariah Eddy, *Captain.*
William Harris, *Lieutenant.*
Zephaniah Eddy, *Enſign.*

Newman Perkins, Eſq; a Juſtice of the Peace for the Town of *Exeter*, in the Room of *Job Tripp*, Eſq; who declines ſerving.

George Northup, Eſq; a Juſtice of the Peace for the Town of *North-Kingſtown*, in the Room of *Ephraim Gardner*, jun who declines ſerving.

WHEREAS an Account was laid before this Aſſembly, for billeting the recruiting Party belonging to Capt. *Philip Newton*'s Company, Four Hundred and Thirty-three Days, charged at the Rate of Eight Shillings Lawful Money *per* Week. And the ſaid Account being duly

duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Three Hundred and Twenty-four Pounds Fifteen Shillings Old Tenor thereof (being at the Rate of Fifteen Shillings *per* Day) be allowed: And alſo, that Seventy-two Pounds Old Tenor more be allowed for billeting the ſaid Party Ninety-ſix Days more than was charged in the ſaid Account, being to the 1ſt of *Auguſt*, on which Day they left the Colony: And that Three Hundred and Ninety-ſix Pounds Fifteen Shillings, the Amount of the aforeſaid Two Sums, be paid to the ſaid *Philip Newton* out of the General Treaſury.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That *Nicholas Tillinghaſt*, and *Edward Scott*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *Eſeck Hopkins*, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to prepare a Bill for making the Real Eſtates of ſuch Perſons as ſhall be committed to Gaol on Executions, liable to the Payment of Debts: And that they preſent the ſame to this Aſſembly as ſoon as conveniently may be.

Whereas a Number of the Inhabitants of this Colony have mortgaged their Lands to the Government, and now have the Money, and are ready to diſcharge the ſame:

Be it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to deliver to all Perſons their Intereſt Bonds, who ſhall pay him the Money mentioned in the Conditions thereof, and ſhall certify the ſame to the Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office, who ſhall diſcharge the Mortgages upon Payment of the Principal-Money due thereon.

Whereas Mr. *Nathaniel Potter*, of *Hopkinton*, preferred a Petition and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That *Ebenezer Potter*, his Son, was a Soldier in the *Rhode-Iſland* Regiment, and ſerved at the *Havannah*: That he was there taken ſick, and being put a Shore at *New-London*, he, the ſaid *Nathaniel*, endeavoured to bring him Home, but he was ſo ill that he could not be brought further than Mr. *Hewit*'s, where he was obliged to remain about a Month, and was conſtantly attended by himſelf or his Wife, during that Time: That afterwards, at a great Expence, with a Slay and Two Horſes, he got him Home, where he continued above Six Weeks ſo ill that he could not go to the Door: That his ſaid Son is not able to pay the Expences of his Sickneſs: And that he himſelf is in low Circumſtances: And thereupon the ſaid *Nathaniel Potter* prayed this Aſſembly to make ſuch an Allowance to him out of the General Treaſury as ſhall be thought proper.

On Conſideration whereof,

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That *Robert Potter*, Eſq: be, and he is hereby appointed to examine into the Charges mentioned in the foregoing Petition: And that he make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

Stephen

WHEREAS *Othniel Gorton*, Eſq; and Meſſrs. *Gideon Wanton*, jun. and *Stephen Haſzard*, jun. who were appointed by the Lower Houſe a Committee to examine the Accounts of the ſeveral Town-Clerks, for ſearching the Records, and certifying to this Aſſembly the Qualifications of the Perſons returned to be made free of the Colony, preſented unto this Aſſembly the following Report, *to wit :*

WE the Subſcribers being appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of the ſeveral Town Clerks, having maturely conſidered the ſame, do report, and think they ought to be allowed as follows :

Newport,	*William Coddington*,	Twenty Pounds.
Providence,	*James Angell*,	Twelve Pounds.
Portſmouth,	*Robert Dennis*,	Five Pounds.
Warwick,	*Jeremiah Lippitt*,	Six Pounds Ten Shillings.
North-Kingſtown,	*George Northup*,	Eight Pounds Ten Shillings.
Warren,	*John Kinnicut*,	Six Pounds Five Shillings.
Johnſton,	*John Fenner*,	Twelve Pounds.
Richmond,	*John Tefft*, jun.	Six Pounds.
Weſterly,	*Joſeph Crandal*,	Eight Pounds Ten Shillings.
Eaſt-Greenwich,	*Giles Pearce*,	Three Pounds.
Charleſtown,	*John Champlin*,	Five Pounds.
Tiverton,	*Reſtcome Sanford*,	Six Pounds.
Briſtol,	*Joſeph Ruſſell*,	Three Pounds Ten Shillings.
Hopkinton,	*Joſhua Clarke*,	Eight Pounds.
Coventry,	*Caleb Greene*,	Six Pounds Fifteen Shillings.
South-Kingſtown,	*William Potter*,	Seven Pounds.
Little-Compton,	*Jephthah Pearce*,	Two Pounds Sixteen Shillings.
Scituate,	*Gideon Harris*,	Twelve Pounds.
Weſt-Greenwich,	*Thomas Rogers*,	Six Pounds Five Shillings.
Exeter,	*Benjamin Raynolds*,	Ten Pounds Ten Shillings.
Jameſtown,	*Benjamin Underwood*,	Two Pounds Ten Shillings.
Glouceſter,	*Richard Steere*,	Eleven Pounds.
Cranſton,	*Joſeph Harris*,	Six Pounds Five Shillings.
Middletown,	*John Barker*,	One Pound Ten Shillings.
Cumberland,	*John Dexter*,	Eight Pounds.

All which is humbly ſubmitted by

Othniel Gorton,
Gideon Wanton, jun.
Stephen Haſzard, jun.
} Committee.

On Conſideration whereof,

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted, and that the Sums ſet againſt the Names of the Perſons therein mentioned, be paid to each of them reſpectively out of the General Treaſury.

IT is *Voted and Reſolved*, That *Joſeph Lippitt*, *Auguſtus Johnſton*, and *James*

James Angell, Eſqrs. be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to prepare a Bill for apportioning, aſſeſſing, levying, and collecting the Tax ordered by this Aſſembly to be made: And that the preſent Tax be apportioned according to the Eſtimate made by a Committee of Ten Men in *February*, 1762.

And *It is further Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame Committee prepare a Bill to oblige the Town of *Smithfield* to pay their Proportion of the laſt Tax; and alſo to oblige every Town in this Colony for the future to pay their Proportions of the preſent, and all future Taxes.

We whoſe Names are underwritten beg Leave to diſſent from the Proportion of the Tax now made on the Inhabitants of the Colony, for the following Reaſons:

For that it is not made and proportioned agreeable to the former Tax: Nor agreeable to the Eſtimation taken by the ſeveral Towns in the Colony.

Stephen Haſzard, jun. *William Pendleton*,
George Sheffield, *John Champlin*,
Rowland Robinſon, *Benjamin Barber*.

Whereas a Number of the *Narraganſett* Tribe of *Indians*, in this Colony, preferred a Petition to this Aſſembly at the laſt Seſſion, which was referred to the preſent Seſſion:

On Conſideration whereof,

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That *Joſeph Lippitt*, *Thomas Church*, *Job Randall*, and *John Barker*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *William Potter*, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to ſet off, and bound the various Tracts of Land that heretofore have been appropriated, by the Sachems of the *Narraganſett* Tribe of *Indians*, to that Tribe, for their ſole Uſe, Maintenance, and Support; he, the Sachem of ſaid Tribe, agreeing and conſenting to give and execute a good and effectual Deed to ſaid Tribe, and alſo Liberty of paſſing and repaſſing on his Lands to the Pond and Sea for the Advantage of Fiſhing: Which the Petitioners, in Preſence of the Upper Houſe of Aſſembly, agreed to accept of.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That Col. *Benjamin Sherburne* be, and he is hereby appointed to receive from the late Sheriff of the County of *Newport*, all the Small Arms and other military Stores, belonging to the Colony, in his keeping, and deliver them to the preſent Sheriff of the ſaid County, giving and taking Receipts for the ſame.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the King's Proclamation of Peace be publiſhed on Monday the Fifteenth Inſtant, in all the proper Places within this Colony, to the End that all His Majeſty's trading Subjects do take Notice of His Royal Will and Pleaſure therein, and conform themſelves thereto accordingly.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That Thurſday the Twenty-fifth Inſtant, be appointed to be kept as a Day of Public Thankſgiving throughout

the Colony: And that his Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requeſted to iſſue a Proclamation, requiring the Inhabitants of this Colony to aſſemble themſelves together on that Day in their reſpective Places of Public Worſhip, to give Thanks to Almighty God for vouchſafing to grant us an advantageous and honorable Peace, and for the other innumerable Inſtances of his Goodneſs; and forbidding all ſervile Labor, Sports, and Paſtimes on that Day.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the following Gentlemen be, and they are hereby appointed Juſtices of the Peace, *to wit*:

Joſeph Crandal, Eſq; the Firſt Juſtice in and for the Town of *Weſterly*, in the Room of *John Larkin*, Eſq; who refuſed.

Stephen Lampheare, Eſq; the Fourth Juſtice in and for the ſaid Town of *Weſterly*, in the Room of *Joſeph Crandal*, Eſq; advanced.

John Hill, Eſq; a Juſtice in and for the Town of *Charleſtown*, in the Room of *Benjamin Hoxſie*, Eſq; who refuſed.

Job Taylor, Eſq; a Juſtice in and for the ſaid Town of *Charleſtown*, in the Room of *Simeon Perry*, Eſq; who refuſed.

Stanton York, Eſq; a Juſtice in and for the ſaid Town of *Charleſtown*, in Addition to the others.

Oliver Helme, Eſq; a Juſtice in and for the Town of *South-Kingſtown*.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That his Honor the Deputy Governor, *Edward Scott*, and *George Hazard*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *William Richardſon*, be, and they, or any Two of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of the General Treaſurer; and to receive all the *Crown-Point* Bills, and *February*, *Auguſt*, and *June* Lawful Money Bills that are in his Hands, and burn the ſame: And that they make Report to this Aſſembly as ſoon as conveniently may be.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That *Thomas Church*, and *Joſeph Clarke*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *William Richardſon*, be, and they, or any Two of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to audit all the Accounts of Capt. *William Read*, with the Colony; and that they make Report to this Aſſembly as ſoon as may be.

Whereas the Hon. *John Gardner*, Eſq; Deputy-Governor of this Colony, repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That he hath ſuſtained the ſaid Office from the Death of the Hon. *Jonathan Nichols*, Eſq; which was in *September*, 1756, being Five Years and Eight Months, to *May* laſt paſt, and that he hath received no Allowance for the ſaid Service: And thereupon requeſted this Aſſembly to make ſuch an Allowance as ſhall be reaſonable for the aforeſaid Service, conſidering the neceſſary Expence and Trouble that attends ſuch an Office in the Town of *Newport*; the whole being a Time of War.

On Conſideration whereof,

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That his Honor the Deputy-Governor be allowed, and paid out of the General Treaſury, One Hundred and Fifty Pounds Old Tenor *per* Year, for the Time he hath ſuſtained the Office

Office of Deputy-Governor, ſince he hath received any Allowance for the ſame.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Conſideration of the Memorial laid before this Aſſembly by the Hon. *John Andrews*, Eſq; which was at the laſt Seſſion referred unto the preſent Seſſion, be referred unto the next Seſſion: And that in the mean Time all Proceedings mentioned in the ſaid Memorial be ſtayed.

Whereas *Tibbits Hopkins*, late Captain-Lieutenant of Col. *Harris*'s Company, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That he was, in the Capacity aforeſaid, in the Colony's Service upon the Campaign in the Year 1760: That he was paid off by the Committee of War at the ſame Rate as a common Lieutenant only, altho' thoſe who did the ſame Duty, both in preceding and ſucceeding Years, received Wages equivalent to the Service, and higher than a common Lieutenant: That upon his entring the Service, he received from the Committee of War Two Months Pay at the advanced Rate of a Captain-Lieutenant, but that upon his Return from the Campaign, the ſaid Committee of War deducted the advanced Pay, and ſettled with him only as a common Lieutenant: And that thereby he is deprived of about Thirteen Pounds Lawful Money, which is juſtly due to him, at the Rate which others, both before and ſince, have been paid, and which, upon his entring the Service, he was made to hope would be allowed him.

On Conſideration whereof,

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Prayer of the ſaid *Tibbits Hopkins*, in the foregoing Petition contained, be, and the ſame is hereby granted; and that the Sum of Thirteen Pounds Lawful Money, therein mentioned, be allowed and paid him out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas the Hon. *John Gardner*, Eſq; repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That the General Aſſembly, at the Seſſion held on the laſt Monday in *February*, 1761, ordered the Sum of One Hundred and Forty-nine Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Two Pence Lawful Money, being a Balance due to him as One of the Members of the Committee of War, to be paid him out of the General Treaſury: That the General Aſſembly, at the Seſſion held on the Firſt Monday of *September*, 1761, ordered a further Sum of Seventy Pounds and Three Pence Half-Penny Lawful Money to be alſo paid him out of the General Treaſury: And that he hath not received the ſame of the General Treaſurer. And thereupon his Honor the Deputy-Governor requeſted this Aſſembly to allow him Intereſt upon the aforeſaid Sums, from the Time they were reſpectively ordered to be paid him.

On Conſideration whereof,

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Hon. *John Gardner*, Eſq; be allowed Intereſt on the ſaid Sums from the Time they were reſpectively ordered to be paid him, until the ſame ſhall be paid.

Whereas

WHEREAS *Joſeph Lippitt*, and *Othniel Gorton*, Eſqrs. preſented unto this Aſſembly the following Report, and Account, *to wit :*

WE the Subſcribers, in Obedience to a Vote of the General Aſſembly, at their Seſſion in *February*, *A. D.* 1763, reſpecting ſundry Articles charged againſt the Colony by *Nathan Rice*, Eſq; have carefully examined the ſame, and from proper Vouchers, by the ſaid *Rice* produced, do report, That we find there is juſtly due to the ſaid *Rice* from the Colony, the Intereſt of £.395-19-4 Lawful Money, at 7 *per Cent.* for 15 Months, which amounts to the Sum of £.34 12 11 Lawful Money.

And alſo the Intereſt of £.1765-8-5 Old Tenor for One Year, at 10 *per Cent.* in Lawful Money, - - - - - - - - -	9	6	7
And alſo for tranſporting the Regimental Baggage,	8	8	0
And alſo a Part of Mr. *Robinſon*'s Account for Attendance on the ſick People, - - -	0	15	0
	£.53	2	6
We likewiſe find Credit in Favour of the Colony, the Amount of which is - -	4	5	0
Sum total due to *Rice*, - - -	£.48	17	6

THE other Parts of the ſaid *Robinſon*'s Accounts conſiſted of Charges againſt the Veſſel, which we apprehend was not left to us, and therefore did not conſider the ſame.

All which is humbly ſubmitted, by

Auguſt 6th, 1763. *Joſeph Lippitt*, *Othniel Gorton*, } Committee.

Colony of Rhode-Iſland *Dr. to the Committee.*

For 1 Day each, at 6*s.* Lawful Money *per* Day, - - £.0 12 0

AND the Premiſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted : That the aforeſaid Balance of Forty-eight Pounds Seventeen Shillings and Six Pence Lawful Money, and alſo the Sum of Fifty-three Pounds Twelve Shillings and Four Pence Half-Penny, before allowed to *Nathan Rice*, Eſq; be deducted out of the Colony's Execution againſt him : That the Account of the Committee be allowed ; and that Twelve Shillings Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Joſeph Lippitt* and *Othniel Gorton* out of the General Treaſury.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That *Nicholas Tillinghaſt*, *Joſeph Lippitt*, *Eliſha Brown*, and *Joſeph Harris*, Eſqrs. be, and they, or any Two of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of Mr. *Barnard Eddy*, for rebuilding *Weyboſſet* Bridge in the Year 1761 ; and the Accounts of Mr. *Joſeph Sheldon*, for repairing and new Railing the ſaid Bridge in the Year 1762 : And that they make Report to this Aſſembly as ſoon as conveniently may be.

WHEREAS

WHEREAS *John Dexter*, Eſq; preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That the Bridge over *Pawtucket* River, between the Towns of *Smithfield* and *Cumberland*, is greatly out of Repair; and unleſs it be repaired ſoon, the ſame will be uſeleſs: And thereupon he prayed this Aſſembly that a Lottery may be granted, to raiſe the Sum of Six Hundred Pounds Old Tenor, to be applied to repairing the ſaid Bridge: And that *Daniel Mowrey*, jun. Eſq; and Mr. *Jeremiah Scott*, both of *Smithfield*, and *Jeremiah Whipple*, Eſq; and he the Petitioner, may be appointed Directors of the ſaid Lottery.

On Conſideration whereof,

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Petition be, and the ſame is hereby granted.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That his Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requeſted to tranſmit a Copy of the Billeting Roll of the Soldiers raiſed in this Colony, to recruit the Regular Regiments in *North-America*, to his Excellency Sir *Jeffery Amherſt*, and requeſt Payment of what is due thereon: And alſo to tranſmit to the General, the Billeting Rolls for the Year 1757, in Order for Payment thereof.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That *James Honyman*, and *George Hazard*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *Martin Howard*, jun. be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to prepare a Bill, and lay it before this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion, for empowering the Judges of the Superior Court to grant new Trials in all Caſes where the ſame may be neceſſary: And that no Petition be afterwards brought to the General Aſſembly for ſuch new Trials.

AN ACT for aſſeſſing upon the Inhabitants of this Colony, a Rate or Tax of Twelve Thouſand Pounds Lawful Money, Nine Thouſand Pounds thereof in the Lawful Money Bills emitted in *March* and *April*, *A. D.* 1759, to be collected, levied, and brought into the General Treaſury before or upon the Fifteenth Day of *March* next, for ſinking ſo much of thoſe Emiſſions; and the other Three Thouſand Pounds in the ſame, or any other Lawful Money Bills, to be appropriated towards paying the Colony's Debts, and defraying the incident Charges of the Government, to be collected and paid into the General Treaſury by the Firſt Day of *November* next.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That a Rate or Tax of Twelve Thouſand Pounds Lawful Money be aſſeſſed upon the Inhabitants of this Colony, Nine Thouſand Pounds thereof in the Lawful Money Bills emitted in *March* and *April*, *A. D.* 1759, to be collected, levied, and brought into the General Treaſury before or upon the Fifteenth Day of *March* next, for ſinking ſo much of thoſe Emiſſions: And the other Three Thouſand Pounds in the ſame, or any other Lawful Money Bills, to be

appropriated towards paying the Colony's Debts, and defraying the incident Charges of the Government, to be collected and paid into the General Treaſury by the Firſt Day of *November* next.

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the Intereſt of ſaid Bills be reckoned 'till the Time they are to be collected and paid into the General Treaſury, and no longer.

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the ſaid Rate or Tax ſhall be, and the ſame is hereby proportioned unto and upon the ſeveral Towns according to the Eſtimate made by a Committee of Ten Men, in *February*, *A. D.* 1762. *That is to ſay*,

The Town of			
Newport ſhall pay	£. 2383	5	0
Portſmouth	440	15	0
New-Shoreham	159	3	0
Jameſtown	232	16	0
Middletown	347	2	0
Tiverton	389	3	0
Little-Compton	362	11	0
	£. 4314	15	0

The Town of			
Weſterly ſhall pay	£. 351	15	0
North-Kingſtown	470	14	0
South-Kingſtown	1006	16	0
Charleſtown	281	10	0
Exeter	318	18	0
Richmond	186	2	0
Hopkinton	318	8	0
	£. 2934	3	0

The Town of			
Providence ſhall pay	£. 764	6	0
Smithfield	588	10	0
Scituate	437	4	0
Glouceſter	323	10	0
Cumberland	249	12	0
Cranſton	470	7	0
Johnſton	180	13	0
	£. 3014	2	0

The Town of			
Briſtol ſhall pay	£. 261	0	0
Warren	260	0	0
	£. 521	0	0

The Town of			
Warwick ſhall pay	£. 539	16	0
Eaſt-Greenwich	278	6	9
Weſt-Greenwich	198	9	3
Coventry	199	8	0
	£. 1216	0	0

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the Aſſeſſors or Ratemakers ſhall aſſeſs or apportion the aforeſaid Rate or Tax, and return a true Bill or Liſt of the ſame unto the Clerk of the Town to which they reſpectively belong, within Forty Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly: And the ſaid Town-Clerk is directed, and hereby required, to ſend a Copy thereof in Four Days, from the Time of his receiving the ſame, to the General Treaſurer, who is hereby required and directed to iſſue his Warrant within three Days to the ſeveral Collectors of Rates or Taxes of the reſpective Towns, requiring them, in the King's Name, to collect, levy, and pay unto the General Treaſurer, for the Time being, the ſeveral Sums unto them reſpectively committed to collect.

And

AND *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That each reſpective Town ſhall pay all the Charges and Fees that ſhall accrue or ariſe in or upon the aſſeſſing, collecting, and levying its Part of the aforeſaid Rate or Tax.

AND *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the Secretary be directed, and he is hereby required, to ſend a Copy of the ſame to every Town-Clerk in the Colony, within Ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, to be by the ſaid Town-Clerk immediately delivered unto the Aſſeſſors or Ratemakers of his Town: And the reſpective Collectors of the ſaid Rate or Tax, are hereby required to uſe all Diligence in collecting and paying the ſame unto the General Treaſurer, before or at the Times in this Act limited.

WHEREAS the General Aſſembly, at their Seſſion held at *Newport* on the Third Tueſday in *September*, *A. D.* 1762, paſſed an Act for aſſeſſing and levying a Tax of Eight Thouſand Pounds Lawful Money upon the Inhabitants of this Colony: And whereas the Town of *Smithfield* hath neglected aſſeſſing, levying, and collecting the Proportion of ſaid Tax, agreeable to the ſaid Act.

BE *it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof. It is Enacted*, That Three Months after the Riſing of this Aſſembly is allowed to the Town of *Smithfield*, to aſſeſs, levy, and collect their Proportion of the ſaid Tax, and for paying the ſame into the General Treaſury: And that the ſaid Town of *Smithfield* be, and hereby is fully empowered to do the ſame according to the aforeſaid Act.

AND *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That if the ſaid Town of *Smithfield* ſhall neglect or refuſe to aſſeſs, collect, levy, and pay their Proportion of ſaid Tax by the ſaid Time, the ſaid Town of *Smithfield* ſhall pay a Fine of Two Hundred Pounds Lawful Money, to and for the Uſe of the Colony, to be recovered by the General Treaſurer, by an Action of the Caſe againſt the Town Treaſurer of ſaid Town, at any of the Inferior Courts of Common Pleas in this Colony.

AND *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That for the future, when and ſo often as any Tax ſhall be voted by the General Aſſembly, to be aſſeſſed upon the Inhabitants of this Colony, and either of the Towns in the Colony ſhall neglect or refuſe to aſſeſs and levy ſaid Tax upon the Inhabitants of their reſpective Towns, agreeable to ſuch Act, ſuch Town, ſo refuſing or neglecting, ſhall pay a Fine of double their Proportion of ſaid Tax, into the General Treaſury, to be recovered by the General Treaſurer, by an Action of the Caſe againſt the Town Treaſurer of ſuch Delinquent Town, in any of the Inferior Courts of Common Pleas in the Colony: That any Town in the Colony that ſhall neglect or refuſe to aſſeſs, levy, and collect its Proportion of the

the preſent Tax, ſhall ſuffer the ſame Penalty, to be recovered in the ſame Manner: *And further*, That any ſuch delinquent Town, notwithſtanding its being fined, ſhall be obliged to pay its Proportion of the Tax.

WHEREAS Meſſrs *Thomas Bailey*, and *Samuel Brown*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for Six Days Attendance each upon this Aſſembly, during the preſent Seſſion: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Forty-two Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Thomas Bailey* and *Samuel Brown* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Jonathan Jeffers* exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Six Days Attendance upon this Aſſembly, during the preſent Seſſion: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Twenty-one Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Jonathan Jeffers* out of the General Treaſury.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion: That the Secretary publiſh the Acts and Orders now made and paſſed, by Beat of Drum, in the Town of *Newport*, within Ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, and within Thirty, ſend Copies of the ſame to each Town-Clerk in the Colony: And that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned to the Fourth Monday in *October* next, if then called by either of their Honors the Governor or Deputy Governor; but if not called at or before the ſaid Day, then that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is diſſolved.

GOD Save the KING.

Publiſhed according to Order, in Newport, *on Tueſday the Sixteenth of* Auguſt, 1763,

By HENRY WARD, *Secr'y.*

A true Copy, duly examined.

WITNESS, Henry Ward

NEWPORT: Printed by SAMUEL HALL.

At the GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of RHODE-ISLAND, and PROVIDENCE Plantations, in *New-England*, in *America* ; begun and holden at SOUTH-KINGSTOWN, within and for the ſaid Colony, on the laſt Wedneſday in *October*, in the Year of our LORD One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-three, and Fourth of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty *GEORGE* the Third, by the Grace of GOD, KING of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Hon. STEPHEN HOPKINS, *Eſq*; *Governor.*

The Hon. JOHN GARDNER, *Eſq*; *Deputy-Governor.*

JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq;
PELEG THURSTON, Eſq;
NICHOLAS TILLINGHAST, Eſq;
DARIUS SESSIONS, Eſq;
JOHN ALMY, Eſq;
} Aſſiſtants.

JONATHAN RANDALL, Eſq;
SAMUEL BROWNELL, Eſq;
JOSEPH HAZARD, Eſq;
THOMAS CHURCH, Eſq;
} Aſſiſtants.

The SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES from the ſeveral Towns.

NEWPORT ;
Mr. *Gideon Wanton*, jun.
Mr. *John Wanton*, (Son of *Gideon*)
George Hazard, Eſq;
Mr. *Benjamin Greene*,
Daniel Ayrault, jun. Eſq;
Capt. *William Read.*

PROVIDENCE ;
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq;
James Angell, Eſq;
Benjamin Man, Eſq;
Mr. *Eſeck Hopkins.*

PORTSMOUTH ;

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David Anthony, Eſq;
Mr. *Enoch Butts*.
WARWICK ;
Mr. *Dutee Jerauld*,
John Warner, jun. Eſq;
Capt. *Philip Baker*.
WESTERLY ;
Mr. *George Sheffield*.
Mr. *David Maxſon*,
NEW-SHOREHAM ;
Mr. *Edmond Sheffield*.
NORTH-KINGSTOWN ;
Capt. *Joſeph Taylor*,
Peter Phillips, Eſq;
SOUTH-KINGSTOWN ;
Mr. *Rowland Robinſon*,
Mr. *Stephen Haſzard*, jun.
EAST-GREENWICH ;
Mr. *Abial Hall*,
Major *Preſerved Peirce*.
JAMESTOWN ;
Mr. *John Gardner*.
SMITHFIELD ;
Capt. *Joſeph Morey*,
Mr. *Samuel Winſor*,
SCITUATE ;
Job Randall, Eſq;
Charles Harris, Eſq;
GLOUCESTER ;
Richard Steere, Eſq;
Major *Joſeph Olney*.
CHARLESTOWN ;
Robert Potter, Eſq;
WEST-GREENWICH ;
Capt. *Job Spencer*,
Capt. *Tibbits Hopkins*.

COVENTRY ;
Caleb Greene, Eſq;
EXETER ;
Joſeph Holway, Eſq;
Capt. *Jeffery Wilcox*.
MIDDLETOWN ;
Mr. *James Barker*, jun.
Mr. *John Holmes*.
BRISTOL ;
Mr. *William Bradford*,
Capt. *Simeon Potter*.
TIVERTON ;
None.
LITTLE-COMPTON ;
William Hall, Eſq;
Capt. *William Briggs*.
WARREN ;
Mr. *Cromell Child*,
Major *Nathaniel Peck*.
CUMBERLAND ;
John Dexter, Eſq;
Job Bartlet, Eſq;
RICHMOND ;
John Webſter, Eſq;
Mr. *Caleb Barber*.
CRANSTON ;
John Andrew, Eſq;
Mr. *Thomas Potter*.
HOPKINTON ;
John Maxſon, Eſq;
Capt. *James Wells*.
JOHNSTON ;
Thomas Owen, Eſq;
Mr. *John Waterman*, jun.

JOHN DEXTER, Eſq; was choſen Speaker ; and,

JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

WHEREAS ſeveral of the Inhabitants of the Town of *Newport* preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That Part of *Thames*-Street, in ſaid Town, lying between the Houſes of *John Freebody*, and *Martin Howard*, Eſqrs. is become ſo bad, that, unleſs it be ſoon repaired, it will be extremely inconvenient to paſs and repaſs : And thereupon they prayed this Aſſembly, that a Lottery may be

be granted, to raiſe the Sum of Eight Thouſand Pounds Old Tenor, in One or more Claſſes, as the Directors who may be appointed, ſhall think proper: And that the ſaid Directors may be empowered to apply the Money, ſo raiſed, to repaving that Part of the Street abovementioned, beginning at the Houſe of the ſaid *John Freebody*, and continuing the ſame until the whole ſhall be compleated.

On Conſideration whereof,

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Petition be, and the ſame is hereby granted: And that Meſſrs. *Stephen Ayrault*, *John Tweedy*, *William Stevens*, *Samuel Fowler*, *Samuel Brenton*, *Solomon Townſend*, *George Gibbs*, and *James Clarke*, be, and they are hereby appointed Directors of the ſaid Lottery: And that they, or the major Part of them, be empowered to raiſe the aforeſaid Sum of Eight Thouſand Pounds, by Lottery, in One or more Claſſes, as they ſhall think proper, and to apply the ſame agreeable to the Prayer of the ſaid Petition; the ſaid Directors giving Bond according to Cuſtom.

WHEREAS the Hon. *John Gardner*, Eſq; and *Edward Scott*, and *George Hazard*, Eſqrs. who were the major Part of the Committee appointed to audit the Accounts of *Joſeph Clarke*, Eſq; General Treaſurer, preſented unto this Aſſembly a State of his Account, together with their Report thereon, as follows, *to wit*:

Dr.---*The Colony of* Rhode-Iſland, &c.
Account with Joſeph Clarke, *Eſq*; *General Treaſurer.*

1763.	Dollars.	Lawful Money.	Old Tenor.
To Allowance for extraordinary Service, by Act of Aſſembly, - - - - -			£. 1000 0 0
To Bills, *May*, 1758, delivered to the Committee, and burnt, as appears by Report made to the Gen. Aſſembly in *Aug* 1763, the Intereſt of the Bills included, - -		£. 3490 10 1¾	
To ditto, *December*, 1758 as *per* the ſame Report,		8605 0 1¾	
To Caſh paid ſundry Diſburſements, as by the Treaſurer's Alphabetical Book, from *Aug.* 2, 1762, to *October* 12, 1763.	s. d. 850 2 9	2002 12 1	20906 2 10
To Caſh paid for petty Charges, as by the Treaſurer's Book, Page 1.			185 14 0

To

	Dollars.	Lawful Money.	Old Tenor.
To ditto paid Orders for Wages of Lieutenant, Gunner, and Soldiers, at Fort *George*, as by the Treaſurer's Book, P. 2 & 3.			3956 19 5
To ditto paid ſundry Bonds, Page 4 and 5. - - - -	3688 2 11	667 15 5¼	
To ditto paid ſundry Perſons, by Order of the Committee of War, Page 6.		404 12 11¼	16572 16 5
To ditto paid for *Providence* Court-Houſe, P. 7.			12232 18 10
To ditto paid the Committee of War, *to wit*:			
Tho. Cranſton, £.1096 3 6			
John Bours, 1413 8 2¼			
George Jackſon, 312 10 0			
Gideon Comſtock, 1151 14 0			
Thomas Caſey, 1515 5 0			
Thomas Potter, 1369 1 9			
Robert Potter, 2870 2 5½			
Shearjaſhub Bourn, 909 12 0			
		10637 16 11	
To Caſh paid the Secretary, *Henry Ward*, Eſq; - -			1851 11 4
To ditto paid Ten Treaſurer's Notes, - - - -	289 4 11		
To dit. paid for £.180-3-0 *Crown-Point* Bills, - -	45 0 2½		
To *June*, 1759, Bills delivered to the Committee and burnt, which, with the Intereſt included, is		231 18 6	
To the Town of *Smithfield*'s Proportion of the £.8000 Lawful Money Tax,		461 10 0	
To a Year's Salary, from *May*, 1762, to *May*, 1763			1000 0 0
To Balance due in Lawful Money, £.9263-0-9½ which, at 18⅓ for 1, makes			169822 7 10
	4873 4 9½	£26501 16 3	227528 10 8
Balance due to the Colony	8 4 4¾		47151 5 1¼
	4882 3 2¼	£26501 16 3	274679 15 9½

Creditor.

1763.	Dollars.	Lawful Money.	Old Tenor.
By Balance due the laſt Audit, 2d *Auguſt*, 1762,		£.471 0 0	£112962 5 5¼

By

	Dollars.	Law. Money.	Old Tenor.
By £. 1953 - 0 - 3 *New-York* Currency, received of Mr. *Nathaniel Mumford*, - -	4882 3 2¼		
By Lawful Money emitted by Act of Aſſembly *Sept.* 1762, the Bills dated *Nov.* 1ſt, 1762.		£. 4000 0 0	
By the Tax for £. 8000 Lawful Money, ordered by Act of Aſſembly in *Sept.* 1762, paid in Old Ten. Bills, at 18⅓ for 1.			£. 146666 13 4
By 1 Year's Intereſt of the 9th Bank, the Year 1761,			11851 17 0
By Caſh for Intereſt of £. 2062 - 5 - 11½ Part of the £. 16000 Lawful Money Tax		75 3 7	
By £. 8861 - 12 - 0 Sterling, drawn for in Bills of Exchange on the Agent, which, with the Addition of 5 *per Cent.* makes in Lawful Money		12406 4 9	
By Caſh for 3 Jurors Fines, received of *Freeman Perry*,			48 0 0
By ditto received of *Eliſha Brown*, Eſq; the Balance of his Account, - - -		144 0 4½	
By ditto of Mr. *George Jackſon*, in Part ditto, - - - -		27 10 8	
By Order on *Nathan Rice*, in Favour of *Thomas Caſey*,		28 0 0	
By Colony Law-Books, ſold ſince the laſt Audit, - - -			40 0 0
By Caſh of Mr. Agent *Sherwood*, by the Hands of *John Andrews*, Eſq; £. 9 - 7 - 0 Sterling, which makes in Lawful Money - - -		12 4	
By Caſh hired of Mr. *Stephen Ayrault*, - - - - - -			3000 0 0
By ditto for Intereſt of Lawful Money due from the Town of *Little-Compton*, received of *William Hall*, Eſq; -			111 0 0
By *Thomas Cranſton*, Eſq; in full for the Sterling Balance due from Col. *Henry Babcock*,		74 6 9	
Balance due to the General Treaſurer, in Lawful Money,		9263 0 9½	
	4882 3 2¼	26501 16 3	274679 15 9¾

WE the Subſcribers being, together with Mr. *William Richardſon*, appointed a Committee to audit the Account of the General Treaſurer, have carefully examined his Books and Vouchers, and do report, That there is due to the Colony from *Joſeph Clarke*, Eſq; General Treaſurer, as appears by the above ſtated Account, which we ſubmit to the General Aſſembly, Eight Dollars. Four Shillings and Four Pence Three Farthings, Lawful Silver Money, and Forty-ſeven Thouſand One Hundred and Fifty-one Pounds Five Shillings, Old Tenor.

Witneſs our Hands,

John Gardner,
Edward Scott,
George Hazard.

Newport, 15th *October*, 1763.

AND the Premiſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted.

WHEREAS Col. *Joſeph Hazard* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account for Two Weeks billeting of a Soldier, at the Time he was a Member of the Committee of War: And it appearing to this Aſſembly, that the ſame has not been allowed the ſaid *Joſeph Hazard* in his Account, *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Account be allowed; and that Sixteen Shillings, Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Joſeph Hazard* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS the Hon. *John Gardner*, Eſq; and *Edward Scott*, and *George Hazard*, Eſqrs. preſented unto this Aſſembly the following Report, *to wit*:

Newport, *October* 15th, 1763.

WE the Subſcribers being, together with Mr. *William Richardſon*, appointed by the General Aſſembly, at the laſt Seſſion, a Committee to receive of the General Treaſurer, all the *Crown-Point* Bills, and Lawful Money Bills emitted in *February*, *Auguſt*, and *June*, in his Hands, and burn the ſame, do report, That we have received of *Joſeph Clarke*, Eſq; General Treaſurer, the Sum of One Hundred and Eighty Pounds Three Shillings, in *Crown-Point* Bills; the Sum of Thirty-nine Pounds Three Shillings and Nine Pence, in Lawful Money Bills emitted in *February* and *Auguſt*, 1756; and the Sum of Two Hundred and Seven Pounds, in Lawful Money Bills emitted in *June*, 1759, excluſive of the Intereſt on the laſt mentioned Bills, which amounts to Twenty-four Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Six Pence, and have burnt all the aforeſaid Bills,

Witneſs our Hands,

John Gardner,
Edward Scott,
George Hazard,

£. 180	3	0	*Crown-Point* Bills,	burnt.
39	3	9	*February* and *Auguſt*, 1756, ditto,	
207	0	0	*June*, 1759, ditto,	

AND the foregoing Report being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted.

WHEREAS

WHEREAS the ſame *John Gardner*, *Edward Scott*, and *George Hazard*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for their Time and Trouble in auditing the Accounts of the General Treaſurer, and in receiving and burning *Crown-Point* and Lawful Money Bills, Five Days each, at Six Shillings, Lawful Money, *per* Day: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Four Pounds Ten Shillings, Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *John Gardner*, *Edward Scott*, and *George Hazard*, out of the General Treaſury.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That, for the future, the Secretary, for the Time being, at all Times when he ſends Copies of the Acts and Orders of the General Aſſembly to the ſeveral Towns in the Colony, be, and he is hereby directed to ſend a Copy of every Act and Order to the General Treaſurer, to be always kept in the Treaſurer's Office, for the Uſe of the Colony.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is is hereby appointed to pay off all the Soldiers now in His Majeſty's Service, in the Pay of this Colony, upon their Return into this Colony.

WHEREAS *Othniel Gorton*, and *Daniel Howland*, Eſqrs. who were appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of *Thomas Caſey*, Eſq; preſented unto this Aſſembly a State of his Account, together with their Report thereon; and alſo an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, as follows, *to wit*:

Dr. - - - *The Colony of* Rhode-Iſland *with* Thomas Caſey.

		Lawful Money.		
1762. *Nov.* 11.	To Caſh paid *Edward Thurſton*, jun. £.149-18-4 Old Tenor, *per* Order,	£6	8	6
To ditto paid *Nathaniel Hill*, £. 19 Old Tenor, *per* Order,		1	0	8¼
To ditto paid Doctor *Carew*'s Bill, £. 5 - 15*s.* Old Tenor,		0	6	3¼
To ditto paid *Joſhua Dowing*'s Account, to *Abraham Bowdiſh*,		0	15	0
To ditto paid *Henry Bortem*'s ditto to ditto,		0	12	0
To 4 Advertiſements, £.2 Old Tenor,		0	2	2¼
Dec. 7. To ditto paid *Moſes Budlong*,		6	3	4
To ditto paid *Iſaac Nickes*,		15	1	4
To ditto paid *William Hines*,		15	1	4
To ditto paid *Jonathan Rouſe*,		7	10	8
To ditto paid Lieut. *Andrew Boid*,		67	12	0
To ditto paid *John George*'s Wages to ditto,		7	10	8
To ditto paid *Ceſar Talbury*,		8	1	4
To ditto paid *Griffin Sweet*,		25	10	8
To ditto paid Capt. *Thomas Fry*,		71	6	3
To ditto paid ditto for his Son,		17	5	4
To ditto paid *Thomas Cahoone*,		15	4	0
To ditto paid *Samuel Wightman*,		7	11	4
To ditto paid *Robert Nichols*,		15	2	8

To

To ditto paid *John Langford*,	7	10	8
To ditto paid *John Tillinghaſt*,	8	2	8
To ditto paid *John Spencer*, (Son of *Michael*)	8	1	4
To ditto paid *Joſhua Andrew*,	15	1	4
To ditto paid *Spink Tarbox*,	15	1	4
To ditto paid *Benjamin Spencer*,	7	11	4
To ditto paid *William Thorn*,	14	18	8
To ditto paid *Jonathan Sweet*,	16	2	8
To ditto paid *William Davis*,	16	8	0
To ditto paid *Chriſtopher Weaver*,	15	18	8
To ditto paid *Caleb Sweet*,	20	11	8
To ditto paid *Archibald Grieve*,	20	11	8
To ditto paid *Griffin Spencer*,	18	10	6
To ditto paid *Joſiah Spink*.	14	14	8
To ditto paid *Jeremiah Lippett*,	5	17	4
To ditto paid *Jeremiah Lippitt*,	15	9	4
To ditto paid *Mary Joyce*,	15	0	0
To ditto paid *Job Albro*,	14	13	4
To ditto paid *Malachi Hammatt*,	20	11	8
To ditto paid *John Mancheſter*,	3	16	0
To ditto paid *Caleb Robins*,	14	18	8
To ditto paid *Philip Sweet*,	15	1	4
To ditto paid *George Roberts*,	6	13	4
To ditto paid *Phebe Capwell*,	11	18	8
To ditto paid *Philip Aylſworth*,	18	15	0
To ditto paid *Benjamin Arnold*,	9	0	0
To ditto paid *Benjamin Arnold*,	10	13	4
To ditto paid *Thomas Greene*,	16	5	4
To ditto paid *Oliver Fry*,	16	8	0
To ditto paid *William Sweet*,	12	12	0
To ditto paid *Samuel Gallop*,	16	5	4
To ditto paid *Gideon Caſey*,	4	2	8
To ditto paid *Jonathan Hill*, for himſelf and Son,	32	4	4
To ditto paid *Benedict Sweet*,	8	2	8
To ditto paid *William Sweet*, jun.	7	7	4
To ditto paid *Edward Capron*,	14	14	8
To ditto paid *James Auſtin*,	18	5	0
To ditto paid *Silas Wood*,	11	4	0
To ditto paid *Stephen Arnold*,	6	13	4
To ditto paid *Jeremiah Utly*,	16	5	4
To ditto paid *Nathan Budlong*,	7	7	4
To ditto paid *Joſeph Clarke*,	9	14	8
To ditto paid *Thomas Shaw*,	13	17	4
To ditto paid *John Skillion*,	15	1	4
To ditto paid *Edward Caſe*,	9	8	0
To ditto paid *Abraham Bowdiſh*,	11	16	0
To ditto paid *Thomas Wells*,	15	4	0
To ditto paid *William Hines*,	1	13	10½
To ditto paid *Henry Hopkins*,	18	18	4

To

To ditto paid *John Shearman.*	£. 11	12	6
To ditto paid *John Warner,*	7	18	8
To ditto paid *Nathan Weſtcot.*	5	14	0
To ditto paid *Thomas Stafford,*	5	17	4
To ditto paid *Nathan Walker,*	15	4	0
To ditto paid *Peleg Dawley,*	14	10	8
To ditto paid *William Arnold,* Son of *Eliſha,*	13	6	8
To ditto paid *Ebenezer Benjamins,*	9	9	4
To ditto paid *John Weaver,*	14	14	8
To ditto paid *Benjamin Tillinghaſt,*	6	2	8
To ditto paid *Jeremiah Spencer,*	7	9	4
To ditto paid *Lawton Hopkins,*	14	8	0
To ditto paid *Gideon Brayton,*	7	7	4
To ditto paid *Prince Weſt,*	7	18	8
To ditto paid *Joſeph Hicks,*	10	6	8
To ditto paid *Joſeph Ward,*	7	7	4
To ditto paid *Mary Bliſs,*	4	1	4
To ditto paid *Elizabeth Love,*	12	1	4
To ditto paid *John Wood,*	15	17	4
To ditto paid *Charles Holdon,*	5	14	0
To ditto paid *Iſaac Blanchard,*	16	9	4
To ditto paid *Elias Greene,*	16	9	4
To ditto paid *Harris Weaver,*	10	4	0
To ditto paid *Edward Caſey,*	12	3	4
To ditto paid *Thomas Caboone,*	0	12	4
To ditto paid *James Allin,*	16	8	0
To ditto paid *Daniel Greene,*	5	10	0
To ditto paid *Timothy Bennet,*	16	9	4
To ditto paid *Hezekiah Bennet,*	16	9	4
To ditto paid *John Spencer,* jun.	6	6	8
To ditto paid *Samuel Scranton,*	6	3	4
To ditto paid *Abigail Mingo,*	5	10	0
To ditto paid *James Tefft,*	5	4	10
To ditto paid *Samuel Tarbox,*	13	6	8
To ditto paid *Jeremiah Lippitt,*	7	7	4
To ditto paid *Oliver Bates,*	16	9	4
To ditto paid *Richard Greene,*	5	14	8
To ditto paid *Joſeph Wickes,*	14	1	4
To ditto paid *Peter Tarbox,*	18	9	0
To ditto paid *Jonathan Olin,*	7	7	4
To ditto paid *Joſeph Weaver,*	16	8	0
To ditto paid *Henry Briggs,*	6	18	0
To ditto paid *Mary Barton,*	14	12	0
To ditto paid *John Wilkinſon,*	15	18	8
To ditto paid *Henry Strait,*	10	18	8
To ditto paid *Abel Potter,*	5	1	4
To ditto paid *William Sweet,*	7	7	4
To ditto paid Enſign *Beriah Hopkins,*	35	14	5
To ditto paid *Thomas Remington,*	4	1	4

To ditto paid *Samuel Relph*,	4	14	0
To ditto paid *Preſerved Pearce*, jun.	7	11	4
To ditto paid *Robert Watſon*,	13	5	4
To ditto paid *Joſeph Bowdiſh*,	35	7	6½
To ditto paid *Thomas Bruſhell*,	16	0	0
To ditto paid *Silas Spencer*,	2	12	0
To ditto paid *Silas Spencer*,	3	12	0
To ditto paid *Uriah Matteſon*,	15	1	4
To ditto paid *Abel Greene*,	16	5	4
To ditto paid *Philip Andrew*,	15	1	4
To ditto paid *Joſeph Weaver*,	9	17	4
To ditto paid *Henry Wall*,	7	10	8
To ditto paid *Stephen Codner*,	12	18	8
To ditto paid *Stephen Codner*,	15	1	4
To ditto paid *Samuel Watſon*,	13	4	0
To ditto paid *Tibbits Hopkins*, and *William Hines*,	6	8	2¾
To ditto paid *Thomas Spencer*, for himſelf and Aid and Charges, in taking *Ebenezer Tyler*, a Deſerter,	2	6	8½
To ditto paid *Preſerved Peirce*,	6	12	8
To ditto paid *Sarah Strait*,	7	14	5
To ditto paid *William Sweet*,	8	2	8
To ditto paid *William Sweet*,	14	18	8
To ditto paid *Mary Bowen*,	10	1	4
To ditto paid *John Nichols*, jun.	7	0	0
To ditto paid *Mary Weaver*,	7	7	4
To ditto paid *Edward Greene*,	7	11	4
To ditto paid *Silas Clapp*,	4	14	0
To ditto paid *Abraham Loger's* Half Wages,	5	1	6
To ditto paid *Elizabeth Sweet*,	10	14	8
To ditto paid *Sarah Hunt*,	7	11	8
To ditto paid *Samuel Stewart*,	12	2	8
To ditto paid *Oliver Bate*, Half Wages,	8	2	8
To ditto paid *Benjamin Adam Gallop's* Wages,	16	5	4
To ditto paid *Caleb Greene*, Eſq; *Daniel Walker's* Account, £. 337-11-6 Old Tenor,	18	8	3
To ditto paid *Thomas Spencer's* Son *Benjamin*,	0	4	7
To ditto paid Doctor *Hawkins'* Account,	0	19	11
To ditto paid *Archibald Grieve*,	4	14	10½
To ditto paid *Preſerved Pearce*, jun.	4	14	10½
To ditto paid *Silas Spencer*,	4	0	0
To ditto paid *Iſaac Cammett*,	18	6	0
To ditto paid *Iſaiah Greenell*,	16	8	0
To ditto paid *Stukely Scranton's* Wages,	10	1	4
To ditto paid *Peter Roberts'* ditto,	9	14	8
To ditto paid *Thomas Briggs*,	5	4	8
To ditto paid Part of *Chriſtopher Earl's* Half Wages,	3	7	0¼
To ditto paid Part of *Ebenezer Hunt's* Half Wages,	6	4	4½
To ditto paid Part of *Zebulun Wood's* Wages,	8	7	1
To ditto paid *Joſeph Ceſar's* Wages,	15	5	4

To

To ditto paid Part of *Joſiah Mitchell*'s Half Wages, -	2	5	3½
To ditto paid Part of *Joſhua Spencer*'s Half Wages, -	3	19	0½
To ditto paid Part of *Samuel Straight*'s Half Wages, -	6	7	9
To ditto paid *Thomas Fry*, jun. - - - - -	12	0	0
	£. 1945	17	8
To my Commiſſions, at 1½ *per Cent.* - - - - -	29	3	9
	£. 1975	1	5

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	Lawful Money.		
By Balance ſettled by the Auditors, 17th *Sept.* 1762,	£. 33	12	4
By Lieut. *Boyd*'s One Month Pay, not allowed by the General Aſſembly, - - - - - - -	6	13	6
Nov. 11th. By Caſh of the General Treaſurer, -	815	5	0
16. By Caſh of *John Logan*, a Deſerter, in the Year 1759, £. 228 - 8 - 2 Old Tenor,	12	9	2
By an Order drawn by the General Treaſurer on *Benjamin Tillinghaſt*, - - - - - -	23	10	0
By ditto drawn by ditto on *Pardon Pearce*, - -	131	10	0
By ſundries deliver'd the Soldiers at Fort *Stanwix*, by Mr. *Phillips*, £. 236 - 5 - 0 Old Tenor, - -	12	17	8½
By an Order drawn by the General Treaſurer on *Anthony Low*, - - - - - - -	268	10	0
By an Order drawn on the General Treaſurer, in Favor of Mr. *Peter Phillips*, - - - -	80	0	0
By an Order drawn on the General Treaſurer, in Favor of Col. *Chriſtopher Hargill*, - - - -	50	15	4½
By a Certificate to the Committee of War, at *Newport*, for Stoppages out of the Soldiers Wages, for Mr. *James Richardſon*, Sutler, at the *Havannah*, - -	129	0	0
By an Order drawn by the General Treaſurer on *Preſerved Pearce*, - - - - - - -	206	10	0
	£. 1840	13	1¼
Balance due from the Colony, - - -	134	8	3¾
	£. 1975	1	5

Eaſt-Greenwich, *October* 24th, 1763.

WE the Subſcribers being appointed, by the Hon General Aſſembly of the Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, a Committee to audit the Accounts of *Thomas Caſey*, late one of the Members of the Committee of War, do report, That we have examined the Accounts of the ſaid *Thomas Caſey*, with the Colony, and find them all well vouched; and that the foregoing is a fair State of the ſame, whereby it appears that there is One Hundred and Thirty-four Pounds Eight Shillings and Three Pence Three Farthings, Lawful Money of this Colony, due from the Colony to the ſaid *Thomas Caſey*, including his Commiſſions on the Money paid out, calculated at the

the Rate of One and an Half *per Cent.* And the ſaid *Thomas Caſey* likewiſe repreſented to us, that he has been ſued by one *John Warry*, a Soldier in the Colony's Service laſt Year, for a much larger Sum than he thinks is juſtly due to him from the Colony, which Affair ſtill remains unſettled, and therefore is not charged in the foregoing Account.

All which is humbly ſubmitted, by

Othniel Gorton,
Daniel Howland, } Committee.

Colony of Rhode-Iſland, &c. - - - - - - *Dr.*

		Lawful Money.
June 4, 1763.	To attending on ſaid *Caſey*, in order to ſettle his Accounts, and he not ready, 6*s.* each,	£. 0 12 0
October 24.	To One Day each, in ſettling ſaid Account, at 6*s.*	0 12 0
		£. 1 4 0

And the Premiſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be accepted: That the Sum of One Hundred and Thirty-four Pounds Eight Shillings and Three Pence Three Farthings, Lawful Money, being the Balance of the foregoing Account, be paid to the ſaid *Thomas Caſey*, out of the General Treaſury: And that Eighteen Shillings, Lawful Money, of the Account charged by the Committee, be allowed, and paid the ſaid *Othniel Gorton* and *Daniel Howland* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *William Willſon Pollock* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for furniſhing Glaſs, and mending the Windows of the Court-Houſe in the County of *King's County*: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Forty-five Pounds Fourteen Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *William Willſon Pollock* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Luke Howel* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for billeting Two of His Majeſty's Regular Soldiers: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Four Shillings and Eight Pence, Lawful Money, be allowed of the ſaid Account, and paid to the ſaid *Luke Howel*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Thomas Chadwicke* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for billeting Two of His Majeſty's Regular Soldiers: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Four Shillings and Eight Pence Lawful Money be allowed of the ſaid Account, and paid the ſaid *Thomas Chadwicke* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *James Bradley* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for billeting Three of His Majeſty's

Majeſty's Regular Soldiers: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Seven Shillings, Lawful Money, be allowed of the ſaid Account, and paid the ſaid *James Bradley* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Ebenezer Tefft* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for providing Wood during the ſitting of the General Aſſembly, and of ſeveral Courts, in the Court-Houſe of the County of *King's County*, for cleanſing the ſaid Court-Houſe, and for ſundry Neceſſaries provided for the ſame: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Sixty-four Pounds Sixteen Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Ebenezer Tefft* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *John Watſon*, of *Newport*, preferred a Petition and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That at the Inferior Court held in *Newport*, in *May* laſt, he was ſued by *Joſeph Clarke*, Eſq; General Treaſurer of this Colony, upon the Laws prohibiting Veſſels from coming into this Colony from Places infected with the Small-Pox: That he being gone to Sea, a Copy of the Writ was left at the Houſe of Mr. *Nathaniel Coggeſhall*, jun. (who was alſo out of the Colony) to attach the Petitioner's Effects in his Hands: And that Judgment was rendered againſt him, upon ſaid Action, for One Hundred Pounds New Tenor, and Coſts, by Default, neither he nor the ſaid *Coggeſhall* having any Notice of the ſaid Action. And thereupon the ſaid *John Watſon* prayed this Aſſembly, That he may have Liberty of filing an Anſwer in ſaid Caſe, at the next Inferior Court to be held in the County of *Newport*, and that the Execution iſſued againſt him may be ſtayed.

On Conſideration whereof,

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Prayer of the ſaid *John Watſon*, contained in the foregoing Petition, be, and the ſame is hereby granted.

AN ACT for regulating the Method of conveying and aſſigning Real Eſtates ſold by Execution, and for changing the Form of the Deed heretofore given and uſed by the Sheriffs of this Colony.

WHEREAS the Form of the Deed to be given by the Sheriff of this Colony, as the ſame is preſcribed by a Law made and paſſed in the Eleventh Year of his late Majeſty, George *the Second, is found to be improper, the true End and Deſign of which Deed being to transfer to the Purchaſer ſuch Eſtate and Intereſt* only *which the Debtor hath in ſuch Real Eſtate at the Time of the Attachment, and which he himſelf might diſpoſe of:*

BE *it therefore Enacted by the General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted*, That the aforementioned Form of a Deed be no longer uſed, but that forever hereafter, when any Real Eſtate ſhall be ſold by the Sheriffs of this Colony, the following Form of a Deed ſhall

be uſed by ſuch Sheriff, and the ſame ſhall be ſufficient to all Intents and Purpoſes, in Law or Equity, to transfer and reſt in the Purchaſer or higheſt Bidder at Vendue, all the Eſtate, Right, and Intereſt which the Debtor had therein at the Time the ſame was attached or levied upon.

TO ALL PEOPLE to whom theſe Preſents ſhall come, I *A. B.* Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *N.* in the Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, ſend Greeting.

WHEREAS an Execution againſt at the Suit of was by me the ſaid Sheriff levied on *(Here deſcribe the Premiſes.)* AND WHEREAS on the Day of all the Eſtate, Right, Title, Intereſt, and Property of the ſaid in the Premiſes aforeſaid, were by me the ſaid Sheriff ſold at Public Vendue, for the Satisfaction of ſaid Execution, to who was the higheſt Bidder, for the Sum of which the ſaid hath ſince well and truly paid me the ſaid Sheriff. NOW KNOW YE, That by Force and Virtue of an Act of the General Aſſembly, at their Seſſion held at *South-Kingſtown* on the laſt Wedneſday of *October*, *A. D.* 1763, entitled, "An Act for regulating the Method of aſſigning Real Eſtates ſold by Execution, *&c.* I the ſaid Sheriff, in Conſideration of the Sum of Money paid me as aforeſaid, do by theſe Preſents bargain, ſell, aſſign, and ſet over to the ſaid his Heirs and Aſſigns forever, all and every the Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, with their, and every of their Appurtenances, as the ſame is above deſcribed, with all the Eſtate, Right, Title, Intereſt, Property, Freehold, and Inheritance of the ſaid of, in, and to the ſaid Premiſes and Appurtenances. TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the ſaid Premiſes and Appurtenances to the ſaid his Heirs and Aſſigns forever. IN WITNESS, *&c.*

WHEREAS Mr. *John Clarke* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Horſe-hire, Time, and Expences in carrying the Rate Bill to the ſeveral Counties: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Fifty-ſeven Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *John Clarke* out of the General Treaſury.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That *Daniel Ayrault*, jun. Eſq; and Capt. *Simeon Potter*, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to examine into the Circumſtances of the Money ariſing by the Light-Houſe, and that they make Report to this Aſſembly, at the next Seſſion, what appears to be due to the Colony thereby.

WHEREAS *Daniel Ayrault*, jun. and *Job Bennet*, jun. Eſqrs. who were appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of Mr. *John Wanton*, the late Naval Officer, preſented unto this Aſſembly a State of his Accounts, together with their Report thereof, and alſo an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, as follows, *to wit:*

Dr. ---

Dr.---The Light-House Account Current with John G. Wanton.

1762. *June.*	To *Naphtali Hart* & Co.'s Bill for 4 Casks of Oil,	£.261	0	0
	To trucking ditto to the Ferry,	2	0	0
31.	To *Samuel Brenton*'s Bill for Cotton-wick,	16	0	0
	To a Book for Clearance of Coasters,	48	0	0
Dec. 17.	To *Thomas Bentley*'s Two Bills for carting Oil,	57	10	0
1763. *April.*	To *Aaron Lopez*'s Bill for Oil,	918	5	1
May 2.	To *Thomas Bentley*'s Bill for carting ditto,	24	0	0
7.	To 2 Casks of Oil from myself, 85 Gallons, at £.65 *per* Barrel,	175	12	0
	To full binding ditto,	2	10	0
	To trucking ditto to *Carr*'s Ferry,	1	0	0
	To *Thomas Robinson*'s Bill for Oil,	40	4	9
	To *Samuel Carr*'s ditto for carrying Oil over the Ferry,	11	3	0
	To *Philip Wanton*'s ditto for trucking Oil	6	18	0
9.	To *William Hazard*'s ditto for carting 2 Barrels Oil,	8	0	0
10.	To *Thomas Bentley*'s ditto carting ditto,	12	0	0
	To *Josiah Arnold*, as *per* Receipt,	583	6	8
	To Cash to *William Stevens*, for a Padlock,	7	0	0
	To my Commissions on £.2967-12-0 at 5 *per Cent.*	148	7	6
		£.2322	17	0
Oct. 24.	Balance due to the Colony for the Use of the Light-House,	641	11	0
		£.2964	8	0

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1763. *Oct.* 20.	By 5161 Tons Light-Money, at 8*s.*	£.2064	8	0
	By 300 Coasters, . . . at 60*s*	900	0	0
		£.2964	8	0

Newport, Oct. 24th, 1763.
Errors excepted, *per* *John G. Wanton.*

Newport, October 24th, 1763.

We the Subscribers being appointed by the Hon. General Assembly, at their Session in *June* last, to audit the Accounts of Mr. *John Wanton*, late Naval Officer of the Colony of *Rhode-Island*, do report, That we have examined the foregoing Account, and have compared the Vouchers with the Charges therein made, and do find the Balance due from the said *John Wanton* to the Colony, for the Use of the Light-House, the Sum of Six Hundred and Forty-one Pounds Eleven Shillings, Old Tenor.

Daniel Ayrault, jun.
Job Bennet, jun.

Colony

Colony of Rhode-Iſland *Dr. to the Committee.*

To our Time and Trouble in comparing the Naval Officer's Accounts, 6*ſ.* each, - - - - - - - } £.0 12 0

And the Premiſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be accepted: That the Sum of Six Hundred and Forty-one Pounds Eleven Shillings, being the Balance of the foregoing Account, be paid by the ſaid *John Wanton* into the General Treaſury: That the Account of the Committee be allowed; and that Twelve Shillings. Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Daniel Ayrault*, jun. and *Job Bennet*, jun. out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas Mr. *Immanuel Caſe*, jun. late Keeper of His Majeſty's Gaol in the County of *King's County*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for the Maintenance of *Hannah Tom*, a Priſoner at the King's Suit, Seven Weeks: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Thirty-five Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Immanuel Caſe* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas Mr. *Benjamin Lewis* exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for boarding One of His Majeſty's Regular Soldiers Eight Weeks, at £.5 5 0 *per* Week: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Forty-two Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Benjamin Lewis* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas Mr. *Nathaniel Lewis*, Keeper of his Majeſty's Gaol in the County of *King's County*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for the Maintenance of *Hannah Tom*, a Priſoner at the King's Suit, Eight Weeks: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Forty Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Nathaniel Lewis* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Thomas Church*, and *Joſeph Clarke*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *William Richardſon*, were appointed a Committee to audit all the Accounts of Capt. *William Read* with the Colony, and to make Report to this Seſſion of Aſſembly: And the ſaid Gentlemen not having performed the ſaid Buſineſs, *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid *Thomas Church*, *Joſeph Clarke*, and *William Richardſon*, be, and they, or any Two of them, are hereby continued a Committee for the Purpoſe aforeſaid, and that they make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

Whereas Mr. *Jacob Richardſon* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Paper furniſhed the Secretary, for printing the Acts and Orders: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby

hereby is allowed; and that Thirty-four Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Jacob Richardſon* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Samuel Hall* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for printing the Proceedings of the General Aſſemby at *Auguſt* Seſſion, containing Five Sheets, at Thirteen Pounds Ten Shillings *per* Sheet: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Sixty-Seven Pounds Ten Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Samuel Hall* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *Nathan Rice*, Eſq; preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That he and his Son were principal Owners of the Sloop *Mary*, which went to *Albany* in *October*, 1760, freighted with Rum for the Colony: That arriving at *Albany* in *November* following, and having delivered the Freight, the Colonel of the *Rhode-Iſland* Regiment, then there, took Poſſeſſion of the ſaid Sloop without Conſent, and contrary to the Mind of thoſe he had entruſted her with; and cauſed a Number of ſick Soldiers, and the Baggage of the Regiment, to be put on board her, and ordered her, thus freighted, to proceed to *Rhode-Iſland*: That on her Paſſage, ſeveral of the Soldiers, thus put on board, broke out with the Small Pox; and when ſhe had proceeded as far as *Stonington*, the Wind being a-head, ſhe put into that Harbor: That the Authority there, perceiving ſhe had the Small-Pox on board, ſent Perſons to take Charge of the Sloop, and took out of her the Petitioner's Son, who had the Care of her, and all thoſe who had not had the Small-Pox: That by theſe Means the ſaid Sloop was driven on Shore, and loſt; and the Petitioner's Two Sons having thus been compelled to take the Infection, brought the Small-Pox Home into his Family: That the Loſs of his Sloop, and the Effects in her, together with the Expence he hath been put to, by the Small-Pox being brought into his Family, amounting, in the whole, to £.303-2-7 Lawful Money, hath totally ruined and undone him: And that he is now confined in Gaol, on an Execution at the Suit of the Colony, though for a Sum not much exceeding One Quarter Part of what he hath ſuffered in the Colony's Service. And thereupon the ſaid *Nathan Rice* prayed this Aſſembly to afford him ſuch Relief as may be agreeable to his unfortunate Condition, and ſhall be thought proper.

On Conſideration whereof,

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Sum of Eighty-eight Pounds, Lawful Money, be allowed, and paid to the ſaid *Nathan Rice*, by diſcounting what is due from him to the Colony; and that the ſame be in full for all the Damages that accrued to the Owners of the Veſſel, mentioned in the foregoing Petition, by the whole Loſs of the ſaid Veſſel, and the bringing the Small-Pox into his Family.

WE, whoſe Names are underwritten, beg Leave to diſſent from the preceding Vote, for the following Reaſons:

1ſt, That the Veſſel that was loſt, was not in the Government's Service, but in Mr. *Rice*'s own private Service and Riſque.

2dly, That the paying Mr. *Rice* for his private Property, is unprecedented, and will tend to perplex the Government with a Number of Claims of the ſame Nature, as all Men, by Nature, have an equal Right.

Caleb Barber, *Peter Phillips*, *William Bradford*,
John Webſter, *David Anthony*, *James Barker*, jun.
George Sheffield, *Robert Potter*, *Gideon Wanton*, jun.
William Hall, *Joſeph Taylor*, *George Hazard*.
William Briggs,

WHEREAS the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, which was to ſit in the County of Newport *on the Firſt Monday in* September *laſt paſt, fell through, by which many People are injured :*

For Remedy whereof,

BE *it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted*, That the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, which was to have ſet in *Newport*, in the County of *Newport*, on the Firſt Monday in *September* laſt paſt, and which fell through, be revived ; and that the ſaid Superior Court of Judicature be, and it is hereby appointed to be held in ſaid *Newport* on Monday the Fourteenth Day of *November* next ; and that all Buſineſs lying before the ſaid Superior Court be then heard and tried : And the Power of ſaid Superior Court is hereby *Reſolved* and *Enacted* to be valid, to all Intents and Purpoſes, as though the ſaid Court had not fell through.

AND *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the Jurors who were drawn to ſerve at ſaid Court, give their Attendance at ſaid Time. And the Firſt Deputy for each Town, in the ſaid County of *Newport*, is hereby requeſted to give Orders to the Town-Serjeants of their reſpective Towns, to warn the ſaid Jurors to give their Attendance accordingly.

BOTH Houſes being reſolved into a Grand Committee, choſe the following Perſons to ſerve the Colony in the Offices aſcribed to their Names reſpectively, *to wit :*

John Baniſter, Eſq; (in the Room of *Joſhua Babcock*, Eſq; who refuſed) Chief
John Cole, Eſq; (in the Room of *Thomas Cranſton*, Eſq; who refuſed) Second
Thomas Greene, Eſq; (in the Room of *John Cole*, Eſq; advanced) Third
Silas Niles, Eſq; (in the Room of *Thomas Greene*, Eſq; advanced) Fourth
Job Bennet, jun. Eſq; (in the Room of *Silas Niles*, Eſq; advanced) Fifth

} Juſtice of His Majeſty's Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize and General Gaol Delivery, in and thro'out the Colony.

Benjamin

Benjamin Doubleday, Enſign of the Firſt Company of Militia in the Town of *Newport*, in the Room of *John Carr*, who refuſed.

Robert Lillibridge, jun. Lieutenant of the Second Company of Militia in the Town of *Newport*, in the Room of *James Clarke*, who refuſed.

Thomas Darrell, Captain; *William Prior*, Lieutenant; and *Benjamin Spooner*, Enſign of the Third Company of Militia in the Town of *Newport*, in the Room of the Officers before appointed for the ſaid Company, who all refuſed.

William Hammond, Captain of the Fourth Company of Militia in the Town of *Newport*, in the Room of *Jethro Spooner*, who refuſed.

William Burroughs, jun. Enſign of the Fourth Company of Militia in the Town of *Newport*, in the Room of *Samuel Cranſton*, who refuſed.

Robert Crandal, Captain of the Second Company of Militia, in the Town of *Exeter*, in the Room of *William Hiams*, who refuſed.

Benjamin Randal and *John Maxſon*, Eſqrs. Juſtices of the Peace for the Town of *Hopkinton*, in the Room of *Benjamin Barber* and *John Latham*, Eſqrs. who refuſed.

Richard Berry, Eſq; a Juſtice of the Peace for the Town of *Weſterly*, in Addition to thoſe before appointed.

Samuel Dunn, Lieutenant of the Company of Militia in the Town of *New-Shoreham*, in the Room of *Nathaniel Littlefield*, who refuſed.

Benjamin Enos, Lieutenant of the Company of Militia in the Town of *Richmond*, in the Room of *Joſhua Clarke*, who refuſed.

James Clarke, Enſign of the Company of Militia in the Town of *Richmond*, in the Room of *Job Hoxſie*, who refuſed.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *John Jenckes* and *George Jackſon* exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by them charged againſt the Colony for their Time and Trouble in auditing the Accounts of *Eliſha Brown*, Eſq; And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and thatTwenty-four Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *John Jenckes* and *George Jackſon*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *Freeman Perry*, Eſq; Clerk of the Superior Court in the County of *King's County*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for the Coſt of a Book for recording the Judgments of ſaid Court: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Eighty-ſix Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Freeman Perry*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Samuel Burdick*, jun. exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time, Horſe-hire and Expences, in performing a Journey to *Newport*, being ſent Expreſs by the General Aſſembly at the preſent Seſſion: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Fifteen Shillings Lawful Money thereof be allowed and paid the ſaid *Samuel Burdick*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS

WHEREAS *Gideon Hoxſie*, Eſq; late Sheriff of the County of *King's County*, repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That he had Five Executions returnable to laſt *Auguſt* Court, but as he had not ſettled them before the Riſing of ſaid Court, they ſtill remain in his Hands; ſince which each of the Plaintiffs in ſaid Executions have conſented to have them returned unſatisfied for others to be taken out: And thereupon the ſaid *Gideon Hoxſie* prayed this Aſſembly to direct the Clerk of ſaid Court to receive the ſaid Executions, that the Plaintiffs may take out others.

On Conſideration whereof,

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Petition be, and the ſame is hereby granted.

WHEREAS Mr. *John Duglaſs* exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for a Bar and Staple for the Door of the Gaol in the County of *King's County*; for handcuffing and chaining two Priſoners, &c. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be allowed, and that Thirty-four Pounds Ten Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *John Duglaſs* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS the Hon. *John Andrews*, Eſq; Commiſſary and Judge of His Majeſty's Court of Vice-Admiralty in this Colony, did preſent unto this Aſſembly at the Seſſion held at *Newport* on the Second Monday in *June* laſt, the following Memorial, *to wit*:

To the Hon. the Governor and Company of the Colony of *Rhode-Iſland* and *Providence* Plantations, &c. who conſtitute the preſent General Aſſembly now ſitting at *Newport* on the Thirteenth Day of *June*, A. D. 1763.

THE *Memorial of* John Andrews, *Eſq*; *Commiſſary and Judge of the Court of Vice-Admiralty for the Colony of* Rhode-Iſland *and* Providence *Plantations in* New-England; *Sheweth*:

THAT whereas on the Twenty-eighth Day of *April*, 1761, there was exhibited before the ſaid Vice-Admiralty Court for ſaid Colony, then ſitting in *Providence*, Two Informations againſt Sixty-ſeven Hogſheads, Four Tierces and Fifteeen Barrels of Sugar, and ſaid to be the Growth and Manufacture of the Subjects of the *French* King, declared Enemies of our Sovereign Lord the King of *Great-Britain*, &c. Which Sugar was alledged to have been imported in a Lighter, and landed by one *William Weſton* in *Providence* aforeſaid, in ſaid Colony, without being legally entered with any of the Officers of His Majeſty's Cuſtoms, dwelling in the ſaid Colony, againſt the Form of the Statutes made in the Seventh and Eighth Years of the Reign of King *William* the Third. The Firſt of which ſaid Informations was exhibited by *William Metcalf* of *Providence* aforeſaid, Mariner; claiming the One Third Part of the ſaid Sugars for the Uſe of our Sovereign Lord the King,

King, One Third Part thereof for the Hon. *Stephen Hopkins*, Eſq; the then Governor of the ſaid Colony, and the other Third Part for him the ſaid *William Metcalf*, as being the firſt Informer. The Second of the ſaid Informations was exhibited by *Joſeph Wanton*, Eſq; Collector of His Majeſty's Cuſtoms throughout ſaid Colony, claiming the One Third Part of the ſaid Sugars for the Uſe of His Majeſty aforeſaid, and One Third Part for the Hon. *Stephen Hopkins*, Eſq; Governor as aforeſaid; and the other Third Part for himſelf, the ſaid *Joſeph Wanton*: And he farther alledged upon the hearing ſaid Cauſe, that, agreeable to the Force and Form of the ſaid Statutes in ſuch Caſe provided, no private Perſon could be permitted Informer, and thereby be intituled to the One Third Part of any ſuch Goods ſo informed againſt, but that it belonged to the Officers of His Majeſty's Cuſtoms only; and that was all the Point ever diſputed before the Court: Whereupon on the Twenty-ninth Day of *April* the Court did proceed and publiſh an Interlocutory Decree, declaring the ſaid Sugars to be forfeited, and One Third Part thereof to be delivered for the Uſe of His Majeſty, His Heirs, &c. and the One Third Part to the ſaid *Stephen Hopkins*, Eſq; Governor as aforeſaid; and for the further Conſideration of the Point in Diſpute between the Two Informants, the Court proceeded to adjourn from Time to Time: That after the beſt Advice that could be had, and duly conſidering the Statutes in ſuch Caſe provided, on the Twenty-fifth Day of *September*, A. D. 1761, the Court adjourned to promulgate a final Sentence and Decree, whereby the other Third Part of ſaid Sugars was decreed to be the Property of the ſaid *Joſeph Wanton*, Eſq; and to be delivered accordingly. And the Court proceeded to ex mine and tax Coſts according to the Cuſtom and Uſage of the High Court of Admiralty of *England* in ſuch Caſes ſtated and ſettled: And Four Hogſheads and Fifteen Barrels of ſaid Sugars was ordered by the Court to be ſold at Vendue for the Payment of all Coſts and neceſſary Charges: And after Payment of which there appeared to remain in the Hands of the Vendue Maſter for the ſaid Sugars ſo ſold as aforeſaid, Twelve Hundred and Eight Pounds, Old Tenor; which was ordered to be divided and delivered agreeable to the aforeſaid Decree: From which final Decree and Proceedings of ſaid Court, no Appeal was attempted to be aſked for.

Notwithſtanding *Samuel Nightingale*, Eſq; One of the Juſtices of the Superior Court for ſaid Colony, on the Second Day of *October*, A. D. 1761, iſſued a Writ of Prohibition, and the Officers of the ſaid Vice Admiralty Court, were ſerved with the ſame within Seven Days after the ſaid final Decree was promulgated, and before ſaid Decree could be fully executed, and thereby the whole of the Proceedings was prohibited from being executed, which ſaid Writ of Prohibition was made returnable to the then next *March* Term of ſaid Superior Court, to be then held at ſaid *Providence*; but at ſaid *March* Term, or any other Term of ſaid Superior Court ſince, no further Proceedings upon ſaid Writ of Prohibition or Judgment of ſaid Superior Court thereon hath been had: Yet nevertheleſs your Memorialiſt at the laſt Inferior Court of Common Pleas held at *Providence* aforeſaid, on the Third Monday in *December*, A. D. 1762, was ſued by the Governor and Company of

the Colony aforeſaid for the Time being, for the Third Part of the Twelve Hundred and Eight Pounds as aforeſaid, (then and now in the Hands of the Vendue-Maſter) which was by the Decree of ſaid Vice Admiralty Court decreed for the Uſe of our ſaid Sovereign Lord the King, claiming the ſame as belonging and appertaining to the Colony: At which ſaid Inferior Court your Memorialiſt appeared and filed a proper Plea in Barr to ſaid Suit, which was over-ruled by ſaid Court, and a Default entered: And then the Juſtices of the ſaid Inferior Court proceeded to enter up Judgment, and did take upon themſelves to examine the Bill of Coſts and Charges allowed and taxed by the Vice-Admiralty Court, and without ever ſeeing or having any Knowledge of ſo much as one of the Vouchers to ſupport the neceſſary Charges attending ſaid Proceedings, or the Table of Fees eſtabliſhed by the High Court of Admiralty of *England*, or ever ſo much as having any Regard to the Table of Fees ſtated by the Colony, in ſuch Caſe did enter up Judgment without Law or Precedent to be found in His Majeſty's Dominions againſt your Memorialiſt, for the Sum of Twelve Hundred and Sixty-five Pounds, Seven Shillings and Eight Pence, Old Tenor; and have granted Execution againſt your Memorialiſt, returnable to the next Term of ſaid Court for the ſame: Whereby all Proceedings of ſaid Vice-Admiralty Court, not only in this, but in all other Cauſes have been ſtopped, although there is now Cauſes of great Conſequence pending before ſaid Vice-Admiralty Court unfiniſhed.

Wherefore your Memorialiſt hopes your Honors will take this Matter under your wiſe Conſideration, and conſider of what Uſe or Benefit His Majeſty's Commiſſion in eſtabliſhing a Court of Vice-Admiralty in this Colony can be of, provided the Commiſſary or Judge and Officers of ſaid Court are made liable to be ſued before any of the Inferior Courts within ſaid Colony, by any Perſons diſſatisfied with the Decrees of ſaid Court, and there have the Proceedings of ſaid Court examined, and the Decrees rendered of no Force at the captious Will and Mind of any Perſons diſſatisfied: When at the ſame Time the Two Courts are diſtinct and governed (or ought to be)by as different Laws and Precedents as the Two Elements differ, they have each their Juriſdiction over: And your Memorialiſt would further requeſt that your Honors would order the Judgment of ſaid Inferior Court of Common Pleas to be ſet aſide, and rendered null and void, and all Proceedings thereon ſtayed: and order all due Aſſiſtance to be given by the Officers of the ſaid Colony, to the Officers of the ſaid Court of Vice Admiralty, that ſaid Decrees publiſhed by ſaid Court may be fully and finally executed without any further Delay, agreeable to the Tenor of His Majeſty's Commiſſion for that Purpoſe, wherein your Honors and all other Officers are ſtrictly commanded to give all due Aid and Aſſiſtance.

JOHN ANDREWS.

Which Memorial having been referred for Conſideration from Seſſion to Seſſion, until the preſent Seſſion, and now being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That *Nicholas Tillinghaſt*, *Daniel Jenckes* and *James Angell*, Eſqrs. be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to examine

examine into the Subject Matter of the foregoing Memorial: That they examine and adjuſt the Bill of Coſt; That what appears to the ſaid Committee to be in the Hands of the Memorialiſt, which he decreed to the King, be by him paid into the General Treaſury: That the General Treaſurer give the Memorialiſt ſuch a Diſcharge as he gave to the Hon. *Stephen Hopkins*, Eſq; for what was in his Hands of that Part which was decreed to the King: And that the Judgment of the Inferior Court be rendered null and void, and that the Memorialiſt's Decree be fully executed.

A N A C T empowering the General Treaſurer to diſpoſe of Three Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty Pounds Sterling, being Part of the Money granted by the Crown to the Colonies.

BE *it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted*, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed, and fully empowered, to ſell and diſpoſe of Three Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty Pounds Sterling, (being Part of the Money granted to the Colonies, for reimburſing them the Charges which aroſe on raiſing Forces for the Expedition in the Year 1761) by drawing Bills of Exchange on *Joſeph Sherwood*, Eſq; the Agent for this Colony in *Great-Britain*, payable at Sixty Days Sight, in Favor of any Perſons who ſhall purchaſe the ſame, by bringing into the General Treaſury, on or before the Twenty-third Day of *December* next, either Gold and Silver, or ſuch Lawful Money Bills of this Colony as were emitted in the Month of *December*, *A. D.* 1758.

AND *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the Silver and Gold by this Means placed in the General Treaſury, ſhall be appropriated to the redeeming of the Remainder of the ſaid *December* Lawful Money Bills; which ſhall carry Intereſt 'till the Time they are carried into the General Treaſury, and no longer. *Provided* the ſaid Lawful Money Bills are carried in by the ſaid Twenty-third Day of *December*.

AND *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to diſpoſe of the ſaid Sterling Money at the following Rate of Exchange, *to wit*: For every Bill of Exchange he ſhall draw for One Hundred Pounds Sterling, he ſhall receive One Hundred Pounds Sterling, and in Proportion for a greater or leſs Sum, reckoning a *Spaniſh* Silver milled Dollar, as alſo Six Shillings of the ſaid Lawful Money Bills of Credit, to be equal to Four Shillings and Six Pence Sterling.

AND *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to draw no Bill for a leſs Sum than Twenty Pounds Sterling.

AND *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the Form of the Bills of Exchange to be drawn, be as followeth, *to wit*:

EXCHA. for £. Sterling.

Newport, Rhode-Iſland, 1763.

In Purſuance of an Act of the General Aſſembly of the Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*,

Rhode-Iſland, for Value received, at Sixty Days Sight of this my Firſt *per* Exchange, (Second and Third, of the ſame Tenor and Date, not paid) pay to - - , or Order, the Sum of - - Sterling, out of the Money in your Hands, granted by the Crown to the Colonies in *North-America*, to reimburſe them the Charges of raiſing the Troops for the Expedition againſt His Majeſty's Enemies in the Year Seventeen Hundred and Sixty-one. But if ſaid Money ſhould not be in your Hands by the Time this Bill becomes due, then to pay ſaid Sum when ſaid Money ſhall come into your Hands, with Intereſt, at the Rate of Five *per Cent. per Annum*, from the End of the abovementioned Sixty Days, to the Time this Bill ſhall be paid; which Intereſt ſhall be full Satisfaction for all Damages which ſhall ariſe on this Bill's being proteſted; which Proteſt ſhall be made as ſoon as poſſible after Six Months from and after the Time this Bill ſhall become due, with or without further Advice from

Your humble Servant.

AND *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to ſend a Copy of this Act to *Joſeph Sherwood*, Eſq; the Agent for this Colony, as ſoon as may be.

AND *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That a Copy of this Act be inſerted in the *Newport Mercury* Three Weeks ſucceſſively.

WHEREAS Mr. *Gideon Fowler* exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony for ſweeping and cleaning the Court-Houſe in the County of *King's County*, for providing ſundry Neceſſaries, mending the Plaiſtering of the ſaid Houſe, furniſhing Candles, attending upon the General Aſſembly during the preſent Seſſion, *&c.* And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Sixty Pounds Sixteen Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Gideon Fowler* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Nathaniel Lewis*, Keeper of His Majeſty's Gaol in the County of *King's County*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for the Support of Two poor Priſoners at the King's Suit: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Sixty-two Pounds Ten Shillings, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Nathaniel Lewis* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Peter Boſs*, jun. exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony for his Attendance upon the General Aſſembly during the preſent Seſſion, Four Days: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Sixteen Pounds, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Peter Boſs*, jun. out of the General Treaſury.

AN

AN ACT for regulating the Aſſize of Bread in this Colony.

WHEREAS the Bakers in this Colony are not confined to any regular Method in ſettling the Aſſize of Bread by them baked, by which the Inhabitants are liable to great Impoſitions.

For Remedy whereof,

BE *it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted*, That for the future the Town Council in each Town in this Colony be, and they hereby are empowered to make ſuch Laws and Regulations for ſettling the Aſſize of Bakers Bread in the reſpective Towns to which they belong, and the ſame to regulate Monthly: And that the ſaid Town Council be, and they are hereby fully empowered to carry ſuch Laws and Regulations by them to be made into Execution to all Intents and Purpoſes.

WHEREAS *Nathaniel Boſworth*, Eſq; late Sheriff of the County of *Briſtol*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for the Charges and Expences he was put to in Conſequence of the Eſcape of a Priſoner out of the Gaol in ſaid County, during the Time he was Sheriff: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Two Hundred and Eighty-ſix Pounds One Shilling and Nine-Pence thereof, be allowed and paid the ſaid *Nathaniel Boſworth*, out of the General Treaſury.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion: That the Secretary publiſh the Acts and Orders now made and paſſed, by Beat of Drum, in the Town of *Newport*, in Ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, and within Thirty ſend Copies of the ſame to each Town-Clerk in the Colony: And that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned to the laſt Monday in *February* next, then to ſit in the Town of *Eaſt-Greenwich*.

GOD Save the KING.

Publiſhed according to Order, on the Seventh Day of November, 1763.

By HENRY WARD, *Secr'y.*

A true Copy, duly examined.

WITNESS, Henry Ward Secry

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At the GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of RHODE-ISLAND, and PROVIDENCE Plantations, in *New-England*, in *America*; begun and holden, in Conſequence of Warrants iſſued by his Honor the Governor, at SOUTH-KINGSTOWN within and for the ſaid Colony, on Tueſday the Twenty-fourth Day of *January*, in the Year of our LORD One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-four, and Fourth of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty *GEORGE* the Third, by the Grace of GOD, KING of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Hon. STEPHEN HOPKINS, *Eſq*; *Governor.*

JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq;
NICHOLAS TILLINGHAST, Eſq;
JOHN ALMY, Eſq;
} Aſſiſtants.

SAMUEL BROWNELL, Eſq;
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THOMAS CHURCH, Eſq;
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The SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES from the ſeveral Towns.

The Hon. JOHN DEXTER, Eſq; Speaker.

NEWPORT;
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George Hazard, Eſq;
Mr. *Benjamin Greene*,
Capt. *William Read*.

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James Angell, Eſq;
Mr. *Eſeck Hopkins*.

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Mr. *Thomas Brownell.*
Mr. *Enoch Butts.*
WARWICK;
Jeremiah Lippitt, Eſq;
John Warner, jun. Eſq;
WESTERLY;
Mr. *George Sheffield.*
Mr. *David Maxſon.*
NEW-SHOREHAM;
None.
NORTH-KINGSTOWN;
Capt. *Joſeph Taylor*,
Peter Phillips, Eſq;
SOUTH-KINGSTOWN;
Mr. *Rowland Robinſon*,
Mr. *Stephen Hazard*, jun.
EAST-GREENWICH;
Mr. *Abial Hall.*
Major *Preſerved Pierce.*
JAMESTOWN;
Mr. *John Gardner.*
SMITHFIELD;
None.
SCITUATE;
None.
GLOUCESTER;
None.
CHARLESTOWN;
Col. *Chriſtopher Champlain.*
WEST-GREENWICH;
Capt. *Job Spencer.*
Capt. *Tibbits Hopkins.*

COVENTRY;
Caleb Greene, Eſq;
John Rice, Eſq;
EXETER;
Joſeph Holway, Eſq;
Capt. *Jeffery Wilcox.*
MIDDLETOWN;
Mr. *James Barker*, jun.
Mr. *John Holmes.*
BRISTOL;
None.
TIVERTON;
None.
LITTLE-COMPTON.
Capt. *William Briggs.*
WARREN;
Major *Nathaniel Peck.*
CUMBERLAND;
The Speaker.
Job Bartlet, Eſq;
RICHMOND;
John Webſter, Eſq;
Capt. *Caleb Barber.*
CRANSTON;
John Andrews, Eſq;
Mr. *Thomas Potter.*
HOPKINTON;
John Maxſon, Eſq;
Capt. *James Wells.*
JOHNSTON;
Mr. *John Waterman*, jun.

JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That his Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requeſted to tranſmit, as ſoon as may be, Copies of the Remonſtrance now lying before this Aſſembly, reſpecting the Act paſſed in the Sixth Year of the Reign of His late Majeſty, *George* the Second, commonly called the *Sugar Act*, duly authenticated under the Seal of the Colony, to *Joſeph Sherwood*, Eſq; the Agent for this Colony in *Great-Britain*, and direct him to preſent the ſame to the Right Honorable the Lords Commiſſioners for Trade and the Plantations, and to take the moſt effectual Meaſures, in Conjunction with the Agents of the Northern Colonies, to accompliſh the Purpoſes intended by the ſaid Remonſtrance: Provided the Agents of the Northern Colonies, that is, from *Pennſylvania* to *New-Hampſhire* incluſive; or any Three of

of them unite with him in the ſame. And alſo, That his Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requeſted to write to the Right Honorable the Lords Commiſſioners upon the ſame Subject.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That Mr. *John Spencer*, (Son of *William*) and *Rufus Spencer*, Eſq; be, and they are hereby appointed Committee-Men for the Town of *Eaſt-Greenwich*, for exchanging Mortgages, *&c.*

Whereas, Mr. *John Chaloner*, of *Newport*, Apothecary, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That through inevitable and unforeſeen Misfortunes, he is ſo far reduced, as to be thereby rendered unable to pay the whole of his juſt Debts: That, nevertheleſs, being greatly deſirous to ſatisfy his Creditors, as far forth as he is able, he hath already offered to ſurrender to them upon Oath, all his Eſtate, Real and Perſonal, for their Benefit and Advantage, without ſecreting or retaining any Part thereof whatſoever; and that he ſtill continueth ready and willing ſo to do: And thereupon the ſaid *John Chaloner*, in order that Satisfaction may by him be to them ſo made as aforeſaid, prayed this Aſſembly to enable him to aſk for, and be admitted to take and receive the Benefit and advantage of an Act made and paſſed by the General Aſſembly at the Seſſion held in *June*, A. D. 1756: entituled, "An Act for the Relief of Inſolvent Debtors," according to the true Intent and Meaning thereof, ſubject to the ſame Limitations and Reſtrictions with others who have heretofore been admitted to, and received the Benefit of, the aforeſaid Act.

On Conſideration whereof,

Be *it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted*, That the Prayer of the ſaid *John Chaloner*; in the foregoing Petition contained, be, and the ſame is hereby granted.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That all Perſons in this Colony, who are entituled to Fees, take the ſame Value in Lawful Money as they were allowed to receive in Old Tenor by the laſt Table of Fees eſtabliſhed in this Colony: And that this Act be in Force until the next Seſſion of Aſſembly.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be referred to the next Seſſion: That the Secretary publiſh the Acts and Orders, now made and paſſed, by Beat of Drum, in the Town of *Newport*, in Ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly: And that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned to the laſt Monday in *February* next, then to ſit in the Town of *Eaſt-Greenwich*.

PUBLISHED according to Order, on Tueſday the Seventh Day of February, 1764,

By HENRY WARD, *Secr'y.*

At the GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of RHODE-ISLAND, and PROVIDENCE Plantations, in *New-England*, in *America*; begun and holden by Adjournment, at *Eaſt-Greenwich*, within and for the Colony aforeſaid, on the laſt Monday in *February*, in the Year of our LORD One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-four, and Fourth of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty *GEORGE* the Third, by the Grace of GOD, KING of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Hon. STEPHEN HOPKINS, *Eſq*; *Governor.*

JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq;
NICHOLAS TILLINGHAST, Eſq;
DARIUS SESSIONS, Eſq;
JOHN ALMY, Eſq;
JOSEPH LIPPITT, Eſq;
} Aſſiſtants.

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John Warner, jun. Eſq;
Capt. *Philip Baker*.

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NEW-SHOREHAM;
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Mr. *Samuel Winſor*.

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JOHNSTON;
Thomas Owen, Eſq;
Mr. *John Waterman*, jun.

JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

WHEREAS, Mr. *Benjamin Read* repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That ſome Time ſince, a Thirty Shilling Bill, Lawful Money, belonging to him, was accidentally waſhed to Pieces in his Jacket Pocket; ſo as to render it not paſſable: And the ſaid *Benjamin Read* having produced the remaining Pieces of the ſaid Bill before this Aſſembly, did, thereupon, pray, that he might be allowed the Value thereof out of the General Treaſury.

AND it appearing by ſufficient Evidence to this Aſſembly, that the foregoing

foregoing Account is true, *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to the ſaid *Benjamin Read*, Thirty-ſix Shillings in Lawful Money Bills of Credit, emitted by this Colony, for the aforeſaid Thirty Shilling Bill.

And the ſaid remaining Pieces were thereupon burnt in the Preſence of the Upper Houſe.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That *Nicholas Tillinghaſt* and *Job Randall*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *Eſeck Hopkins*, be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to prepare a Bill for the Relief of Inſolvent Debtors, in Gaol in this Colony, whoſe Creditors live out of the Government.

Whereas, *John Andrews*, Eſq; as Agent for *Edward Clouner*, Caulker; *William Nelſon*, *Joſeph Peterſon*, Ship-Carpenters; *George Munro*, Sawer in the Pitt; *Samuel Mott*, Sawer in the Pitt; *Ebenezer Goddard*, who is Adminiſtrator to the Eſtate of *Thomas* and *Beriah Goddard*, Ship-Carpenters, deceaſed; *Samuel Tarbox*, who is Adminiſtrator to the Eſtate of *John Tarbox*, Ship-Carpenter, deceaſed; and *Thomas Nichols*, Adminiſtrator to the Eſtate of *Benjamin Nichols*, Sawer aloft, deceaſed; preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That they, the aforeſaid Ship-Carpenters, Sawers and Caulkers, (being Inhabitants of this Colony) were inliſted into His Majeſty's Service in the ſeveral Capacities aforeſaid, by Order of, and Agreement with, Major-General *Shirley*, who was Commander in Chief of His Majeſty's Forces at *Oſwego*, upon *Lake Ontario*, in the Months of *February* and *March*, A. D. 1756: That by Agreement, they were to be tranſported to *Oſwego* aforeſaid, and brought back to this Colony, free from all Manner of Expence to themſelves, and were to be kept in Pay until their Return, agreeable to their ſeveral Monthly Wages in their ſeveral Inliſtments expreſſed: That on the 14th Day of *Auguſt* following (they then all continuing in the aforeſaid Service) the Forts at ſaid *Oſwego* were taken by the *French*, and all the aforeſaid Ship-Carpenters, Sawers and Caulkers, were made Priſoners, and carried to *Canada*, and from thence tranſported to *Old France*: That the ſaid *Benjamin Nichols* died in *France*, and the ſaid *Thomas* and *Beriah Goddard* died upon their Paſſage Home; and the others, after a long Time, returned to this Colony: That none of the above-mentioned Perſons, have received any Wages for the Time they were in Captivity; but only from the Time of their ſeveral Inliſtments until *Oſwego* was taken as aforeſaid. And the ſaid *John Andrews* further repreſented, That his Excellency Sir *Jeffery Amherſt*, Commander in Chief of all His Majeſty's Forces in *America*, hath ſince received Orders to ſettle all Major-General *Shirley*'s Accounts; and gave Notice in the Public Prints, to all Perſons concerned, to bring in their ſeveral Accounts to *New-York*, within a certain Time limited, in Order to have the ſame examined, and to receive Orders for the Payment thereof: That the ſaid Ship-Carpenters, Sawers and Caulkers, not being upon the Spot in the ſaid limited Time, and having no Perſon there to repreſent or act for them, were excluded,

excluded, the Accounts being closed before Capt. *William Richards*, who acted in their Behalf, applied for the Money, though he afterwards made Application, but to no Effect: That all those belonging to the neighbouring Governments, who were inlisted into the same Service, and were made Prisoners at the same Time, have received their full Pay from the Time they were taken, until they either died, or returned to their several Homes: And that the said Ship-Carpenters, Sawers and Caulkers, and their Representatives, are, generally very poor and needy, and are justly entituled by their Contract, to the Wages they demand: And thereupon, the said *John Andrews* prayed this Assembly to appoint a proper Committee to examine the several Accounts of the aforesaid Persons, and their Vouchers, for the Support of the same, and direct such Committee to make Report to this Assembly of what they shall find to be justly due to each Person, in Sterling Money of *Great-Britain*. And the said *John Andrews*, further prayed this Assembly, to order the Agent for this Colony in *Great-Britain*, to lay a State of this Matter before the Lords Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *Great-Britain*, &c. or before the Lords of the Treasury, for Payment of what shall be found due to the said Persons.

And the Premisses being taken into Consideration, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That *Joseph Lippitt*, and *Daniel Howland*, Esqrs. and Mr. *John Waterman*, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of the abovementioned Ship Carpenters, Sawers, and Caulkers; and that they make Report to this Assembly of what they find due to each of them, in Sterling Money of *Great-Britain*.

Whereas Mr. *George Jackson* Clerk of the Inferior Court in the County of *Providence*, exhibited unto this Assembly, an account by him charged against the Colony, for the Cost of a Book for recording the Judgments of said Court: And the said Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the same be, and hereby is allowed; and that Eighty-one Pounds, Old Tenor, the Amount thereof, be paid the said *George Jackson* out of the General Treasury.

Whereas, *Samuel Chace*, Esq; Postmaster for the Town of *Providence*, exhibited unto this Assembly, an Account by him charged against the Colony, for the Postage of a Pacquet sent by his Honor the Governor to the *New-York* Post-Office, to be forwarded to *London*: And the said Account being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the same be, and hereby is allowed, and that One Pound Eight Shillings Sterling, being the amount thereof, be paid the said *Samuel Chace*, out of the General Treasury.

Whereas, *Edward Andrews*, Mariner, preferred a Petition, and represented unto this Assembly, That he is an Insolvent Debtor, and hath been confined in *Providence* Gaol Fourteen Months, last past, at the Suit of *Jonathan Hill*, of *Swanzey*, in the County of *Bristol*, in the Province of the *Massachusetts-Bay*, Merchant: That the said *Hill* absolutely

lutely refuſes to allow him any Subſiſtence, and as he lives, and induſtriouſly keeps out of the Government, he cannot compel him to pay the Allowance ordered by Act of Aſſembly, to Inſolvent Debtors in Gaol: That he muſt have periſhed in Gaol, if it had not been for the charitable Aſſiſtance of ſome well-diſpoſed Perſons: That he hath a weakly Wife, and Three ſmall Children, utterly incapable of ſupporting themſelves: And that if he be diſmiſſed from Gaol, he may, by his Induſtry, provide a tolerable Subſiſtence for himſelf and his Family. And the ſaid *Edmond Andrews* having further repreſented, that there is no other Suit againſt him, did thereupon pray this Aſſembly, that he may be diſcharged from Gaol at the Suit of the ſaid *Hill*.

Upon due Enquiry, and Conſideration, it appearing to this Aſſembly, that the Facts, ſet forth in the foregoing Petition, are truly repreſented, *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the Prayer of the ſaid *Edmond Andrews*, therein contained, be, and the ſame is hereby granted.

Whereas Mr. *Robert Sterry*, of *Providence*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That in the Year 1756, he was appointed Armorer to the Forces raiſed by this Colony: That he had a Son who underſtood that Buſineſs, and, by the Advice of the Committee of War, carried him with him, as an Aſſiſtant: That his ſaid Son ſerved in that Capacity Six Months; but not having been appointed by the General Aſſembly, nor his Name returned in the Muſter Roll, the Committee of War did not think themſelves authorized to pay him any Wages for his Service, as aforeſaid: And that no Allowance hath been ſince made for the ſame: And thereupon the ſaid *Robert Sterry* prayed this Aſſembly to allow his ſaid Son ſuch Wages as ſhall be thought proper.

And the Premiſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Ninety Pounds, Old Tenor, be allowed, and paid the ſaid *Robert Sterry* out of the General Treaſury, for his Son's Service as abovementioned.

Whereas it appears to this Aſſembly, by a Certificate under the Hand of *James Campbell*, Lieutenant in His Majeſty's 48th Regiment, That his Serjeant and Drummer were billeted by Major *Preſerved Pearce*, jun. of *Eaſt-Greenwich*, Seven Weeks and One Day; *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid *Preſerved Pearce*, jun. be paid the abovementioned Billeting out of the General Treaſury, agreeable to Law.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That all Perſons who have in their Hands any Lawful Money Bills emitted by this Colony in *June*, 1759, may bring the ſame to the General Treaſurer within Six Months after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, in order to be redeemed with Silver and Gold: That all Perſons who ſhall neglect to bring the ſaid Bills to the General Treaſurer within ſaid Time, ſhall loſe the Benefit of having them exchanged: And that the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to give Publick Notice thereof in the *Newport Mercury*, and *Providence Gazette*, Three Weeks ſucceſſively.

WHEREAS Complaint hath been made to this Aſſembly againſt *Allin Brown*, Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *Providence*, for not doing his Duty in ſaid Office: *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid *Allin Brown* be cited to appear before this Aſſembly immediately, to anſwer the ſaid Complaint.

WHEREAS *Thomas Cranſton*, *John Jepſon*, and *John Bours*, Eſqrs. Members of the Committee of War, having examined and adjuſted the Accounts of Capt. *Volikert Douw*, Agent for this Colony at *Albany*, laid before this Aſſembly a State of his Account, as followeth, *to wit:*

Dr.---The Colony of Rhode-Iſland *with* Volikert Douw.

To the Balance of his Account to *Sept.* 14th, 1763,	£. 3005	6	1¼
To Intereſt on £. 2328 - 19 - 9¼ from *Sept.* 14th, 1763, to *Feb.* 29th, 1764, being 5½ Months, at 6 *per Cent.*	64	0	11
New-York Currency, - - -	£. 3069	7	0¼

CREDITOR.

By ſeveral Deductions from the Balance ſtated on the other Side, *to wit:*			
Part of *Thomas Birket*'s Note of Hand, - -	£. 247	14	3
Thomas Birket's Account, - - - -	16	3	0
George Cornell's ditto, - - - -	339	18	6½
Part of ſundry Officers ditto, - - -	72	10	6½
	£. 676	6	4
Balance due to *Volikert Douw*, in *New-York* Currency,	2393	0	8¼
	£. 3069	7	0¼

AND the foregoing Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed: And that Two Thouſand Three Hundred and Ninety-three Pounds and Eight Pence One Farthing, *New-York* Currency, being the Balance thereof, be paid the ſaid *Volikert Douw* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS it appears to this Aſſembly, by a Certificate under the Hand of *James Campbell*, Lieutenant in His Majeſty's 48th Regiment, That a Soldier belonging to his Company, was billeted by Mr. *Silas Spencer*, of *Eaſt-Greenwich*, Twenty Weeks: *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid *Silas Spencer* be paid the abovementioned Billeting out of the General Treaſury, agreeable to Law.

WHEREAS *Joſeph Hazard*, and *Rowland Robinſon*, Eſqrs. Two of the Committee appointed to audit the Remainder of the Accounts of *Thomas*

Thomas Potter, Eſq; late a Member of the Committee of War, preſented unto this Aſſembly an Account of the ſaid *Thomas Potter*, together with their Report thereon, and alſo an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, as follows, *to wit*:

Colony of Rhode-Iſland *Dr. to* Thomas Potter, *jun.*

To Caſh paid *John Franklin*, for tranſporting Soldiers over the Ferries,	£. 1	1	9
To ditto paid *Jeffery Wilcox*, for Horſekeeping at *Albany*, by Col. *Roſe*'s Order,	0	18	0
To ditto paid *Jeffery Wilcox*, for Waggon-hire, to tranſport Baggage at *Albany*,	0	12	0
To ditto paid ditto, for billeting Soldiers, and Ferriages, from *Newport* to *Narraganſett*,	0	14	3
To ditto paid Lieut. *Mitchell Caſe*, for his Billeting at *Albany*, which was certified by Mr. *Nicholas Gardner* to have been ſtopped out of his Wages for the Year 1760.	8	11	4½
To ditto paid *Peter Phillips*, upon Account of *Abner Whitcomb*,	1	13	8
To ditto paid *Robert Graham*,	5	13	8
To ditto paid *Samuel Codner*,	3	11	8
	£. 22	16	4½
To my Commiſſions on the ſaid Sum at 1½ *per Cent.*	0	6	10
	£. 23	3	2½

South-Kingſtown, February 25th, 1764.

We the Subſcribers, with *Simeon Perry*, Eſq; being appointed by the Hon. General Aſſembly of the Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, a Committee to ſettle the Remainder of the Accounts of *Thomas Potter*, jun. late One of the Committee of War, do find a Ballance of Twenty-three Pounds Three Shillings and Two Pence Half Penny, Lawful Money, due to ſaid *Potter*, the whole being well vouched, his Commiſſions included.

Rowland Robinſon,
Joſeph Hazard.

Dr.---The Colony of Rhode-Iſland.

To our Time and Trouble, One Day each, at 6*s.* Lawful Money *per* Day,	£. 0	12	0

And the Premiſſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be accepted: That the Sum of Twenty-three Pounds Three Shillings and Two Pence Half-penny, Lawful Money, being the Balance therein mentioned, be paid the ſaid *Thomas Potter*, jun. out of the General Treaſury: That the Account of the Committee be allowed, and that Twelve Shillings Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Joſeph Hazard* and *Rowland Robinſon*, out of the General Treaſury.

It

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That Capt. *Volikert Douw*, be, and he is hereby requeſted to ſhip the Cloathing in his Hands, belonging to the Colony, by the Firſt good Opportunity, and conſign it to the General Treaſurer.

Whereas Mr. *John Franklin*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That he hath for ſeveral Years paſt, at a great Expence, endeavoured to keep the Wharf at his Ferry in good Order, for the ſafe Conduct of Travellers: That the Situation of it is ſuch, that all his Pains and Expence hath proved fruitleſs, and that the Expence of doing it effectually, is more than he is able to bear: That he believes if an Addition of about Forty Feet be carried out from his Pier, it would effectually ſecure the ſaid Wharf, and would be of great Service to Veſſels coming from Sea in bad Weather: And that his Circumſtances are ſuch, that he is not able to make the ſaid Addition without ſome Aſſiſtance from the Publick: And thereupon the ſaid *John Franklin* prayed this Aſſembly, That he may have the Liberty of ſetting up a Lottery, conſiſting of three Claſſes, to raiſe the Sum of Three Hundred Pounds, Lawful Money, for the Purpoſe aforeſaid: That *Robert Potter*, of *Charleſtown*, Eſq; Mr. *Stephen Hazard*, jun. and *Peter Phillips*, Eſq; may be appointed Directors of the ſaid Lottery: And that ſome ſuitable Perſon may be appointed to apply ſaid Money to the Uſe aforeſaid.

Scheme of the Firſt Claſs of ſaid Lottery, preſented with the ſaid Petition, *to wit*:

To conſiſt of 3000 Tickets, at 10*ſ.* Lawful Money each, of which 1080 to be Prizes of the following Value.

1	of	£. 30	is	£. 30
3	of	20	are	60
6	of	15	are	90
10	of	10	are	100
15	of	5	are	75
1045	of	20*ſ.*	are	1045
1080	Prizes.	- - - - - - - -		£. 1400
1920	Blanks.	For the Wharf		100
3000	Tickets, at 10*ſ.* each, amount to			£. 1500

And the Premiſſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Prayer of the ſaid *John Franklin*, in the foregoing Petition contained, be, and the ſame is hereby granted: And that the Directors of the ſaid Lottery give a Bond, according to Cuſtom, for the faithful Diſcharge of the Truſt repoſed in them; and alſo for the due Application of the Money which ſhall be ſo raiſed, to the Purpoſe aforeſaid.

Whereas it appears to this Aſſembly, by a Certificate under the Hand of *James Campbell*, Lieutenant in His Majeſty's 48th Regiment, That

That his Serjeant and Drummer were billeted by Mr. *Oliver Arnold*, of *Eaſt-Greenwich*, Two Weeks; *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the aforeſaid Billeting be paid the ſaid *Oliver Arnold*, according to Law, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Samuel Hall* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for printing the Proceedings of the General Aſſembly at the Seſſion held in *June* laſt, containing Nine Sheets and an Half, at £. 13-10-0 Old Tenor, *per* Sheet: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that One hundred and Twenty-eight Pounds Five Shillings, Old Tenor, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Samuel Hall*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Samuel Hall* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, another Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for printing the Proceedings of the General Aſſembly at the Seſſion held in *October* laſt; for publiſhing in the *Newport Mercury*, the Act diſpoſing of Part of the Sterling Money in the Hands of the Agent, and an Advertiſement of Deſerters from His Majeſty's Ship *Cygnet*: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Four Pounds Nineteen Shillings and Three Pence Half-penny, Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Samuel Hall*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS the Town of *Scituate* is by Law obliged to ſend Two Grand and Three Petit Jurors to each Court in the County of *Providence*; ſince the paſſing of which, *Johnſton* hath been taken off from the Town of *Providence*, and required to ſend one Grand and one Petit Juror, which makes Thirteen Petit Jurors to each Court: And whereas the Town of *Scituate* is overburthened, compared with the other Towns in the ſaid County:

BE *it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted*, That for the future, the Town of *Scituate* ſhall ſend Two Grand and Two Petit Jurors to each Court in ſaid County, and no more. Any Law, Cuſtom or Uſage to the contrary hereof, notwithſtanding.

WHEREAS the General Treaſurer made Application to this Aſſembly for Inſtructions reſpecting paying off the Soldiers who were in the Service of this Colony laſt Year, *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That *Daniel Jenckes* and *Samuel Brenton*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *Nathaniel Mumford*, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to conſider what is neceſſary to be done in the aforeſaid Matter, and that they make Report to this Aſſembly as ſoon as may be.

WHEREAS a free *Negro* Man, named *Joel Lewis*, who was a Soldier in the Service of this Colony, is miſſing, and it is ſuſpected, That he was ſold by Lieut. *Thomas Cottrell*: *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*,

That *Nicholas Tillinghaſt*, and *Joh Randall*, Eſqrs. and Major *Nathaniel Peck*, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to take the Evidences of *Joſeph Bennet*, and *Sylveſter Stone*, late Two Soldiers in the Service of the Colony at *Fort Stanwix*, and of any other Perſons that they ſhall think neceſſary, reſpecting the ſaid *Joel Lewis*: That the ſaid *Thomas Cottrell* give Bond, with Surety, before the Secretary, in the Sum of One Hundred Pounds, Lawful Money, for his Appearance before this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion, to make Anſwer in the abovementioned Affair: That the General Treaſurer ſtop One Hundred Pounds, Lawful Money, of the Wages due from the Colony to the ſaid *Thomas Cottrell*, until he hath given Bond as aforeſaid: And that Capt. *Volikert Douw* be, and he is hereby empowered and requeſted to make the beſt Enquiry after the ſaid *Joel Lewis*, and find out, if poſſible, where he is, and under what Circumſtances; and inform the Colony thereof as ſoon as may be.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That Meſſrs. *Godfrey Malbone*, jun. *Martin Howard*, jun. and *Edward Thurſton*, jun. be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of Col. *Henry Babcock* with the Colony: And that they make Report to this Aſſembly as ſoon as may be.

Both Houſes being reſolved into a Grand Committee, choſe the following Gentlemen to ſerve the Colony the remaining Part of the Year in the Offices aſcribed to their Names reſpectively, *to wit*:

The Hon. *Joſeph Wanton*, jun. Eſq; Deputy Governor, in the Room of the Hon. *John Gardner*, Eſq; deceaſed: And his Honor ſoon after appeared, and took the Engagement preſcribed by Law.

John Cole, Eſq; Chief (in the Room of *John Baniſter*, Eſq; who refuſed)
Thomas Greene, Eſq; Second (in the Room of *John Cole*, Eſq; advanced)
Silas Niles, Eſq; Third (in the Room of *Thomas Greene*, Eſq; advanced)
Job Bennet, jun. Eſq; Fourth (in the Room of *Silas Niles*, Eſq; advanced)
Stephen Potter, Eſq; Fifth (in the Room of *Job Bennet*, jun. Eſq; advanced)

} Juſtice of His Majeſty's Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, in and throughout the Colony.

Zuriel Waterman, Eſq; a Juſtice of the Peace for the Town of *Cranſton*, in the Room of *John Paine*, Eſq; who refuſed.

Whereas Col. *Stephen Potter*, and *Giles Peirce*, Eſq; who were appointed a Committee (with *Auguſtus Johnſton*, Eſq;) to take an Eſtimate of the Town of *New-Shoreham*, preſented unto this Aſſembly, an Eſtimate by them taken, and the following Report thereon, *to wit*:

Whereas we the Subſcribers being appointed by the Honorable the General Aſſembly of the *Engliſh* Colony of *Rhode-Iſland* and *Providence* Plantations,

Plantations, holden at *South-Kingſtown*, on *Tueſday* the Twenty-third Day of *March*, A. D. 1762, a Committee to go to *New-Shoreham* to view the Advantages and Diſadvantages it is ſubject to, have, in Obedience to ſaid Appointment, been to ſaid *New-Shoreham*, and taken a Valuation of ſaid Town of the Inhabitants thereof upon Oath, and well viewed the Advantages and Diſadvantages ſaid *New-Shoreham* is ſubject to, do report, That ſaid Town ſhall pay in a Sixteen Thouſand Pounds Colony Tax, the Sum of One Hundred and Sixty-five Pounds Eight Shillings and Nine-pence.

ALL which is ſubmitted to your Honors, by

Newport, *June* 18th, 1762. *Stephen Potter*, *Giles Pierce*.

On Conſideration whereof,

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted: And that the Valuation therewith preſented be received in the Room of the former.

WHEREAS *Nathaniel Boſworth*, Eſq; late Sheriff of the County of *Briſtol*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Twice warning the Members of the General Aſſembly in ſaid County (by Virtue of a Warrant from his Honor the Governor) to attend at the Seſſion held at *Providence* in *December*, A. D. 1760: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Fourteen Pounds Old Tenor, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Nathaniel Boſworth*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Hopeſtill Potter*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for the Uſe of his Houſe by the Judges of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas for the County of *Briſtol*, who held their *January* Term there; for providing Fire-wood, Candles, &c. And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, that the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that One Pound Five Shillings Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Hopeſtill Potter*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *Robert Potter*, Eſq; who was appointed to examine into the Expences of boarding *Nathaniel Potter*, a Soldier in the Service of this Colony, who was ſick in *Connecticut*, preſented unto this Aſſembly the following Report, *to wit*:

WHEREAS the Honorable General Aſſembly did, at their Seſſion in *Auguſt* laſt paſt, appoint me the Subſcriber to examine the Accounts of *Nathaniel Hewett* and others, relating to boarding a ſick Soldier belonging to the *Rhode-Iſland* Regiment: And I having examined the ſame, do report, That there ought to be paid,

To *Nathaniel Hewett*, the Sum of -	£.	9	10 0
To Doctor *Ebenezer Gray*, - - - -		5	2 10
To Doctor *Herrington*, - - - - -		1	15 0
Lawful Money	£.	16	7 10

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THE above Accounts relating ſaid Soldier, I think ought to be allowed as ſtated above.

Eaſt-Greenwich, March 2d, 1764. *Robert Potter.*

AND the ſaid Report being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted: And that Nine Pounds Ten Shillings in Lawful Money be paid the ſaid *Nathaniel Hewett*; Five Pounds Two Shillings and Ten Pence, in Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Ebenezer Gray*; and One Pound Fifteen Shillings in Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid Doctor *Herrington*, out of the General Treaſury.

AN ACT for the Eſtabliſhment of a COLLEGE, or UNIVERSITY, within this Colony.

WHEREAS Inſtitutions for liberal Education are highly beneficial to Society, by forming the riſing Generation to Virtue, Knowledge, and uſeful Literature; and thus preſerving in the Community a Succeſſion of Men duly qualified for diſcharging the Offices of Life with Uſefulneſs and Reputation; they have therefore juſtly merited and received the Attention and Encouragement of every wiſe and well regulated State: And whereas a Public School, or Seminary, erected for that Purpoſe within this Colony, to which the Youth may freely reſort for Education in the vernacular and learned Languages, and in the liberal Arts and Sciences, would be for the general Advantage and Honor of the Government: And whereas Daniel Jenckes, *Eſq*; Nicholas Tillinghaſt, *Eſq*; Nicholas Gardiner, *Eſq*; *Col.* Joſias Lyndon, *Col.* Eliſha Reynolds, Peleg Thurſton, *Eſq*; Simon Peaſe, *Eſq*; John Tillinghaſt, *Eſq*; George Hazard, *Eſq*; *Col.* Job Bennet, Nicholas Eaſton, *Eſq*; Arthur Fenner, *Eſq*; *Mr.* Ezekiel Gardner, *Mr.* John Waterman, *Mr.* James Barker, *jun. Mr.* John Holmes, Solomon Drown, *Eſq*; *Mr.* Samuel Winſor, *Mr.* Joſeph Sheldon, Charles Rhodes, *Eſq*; *Mr.* Nicholas Brown, *Col.* Barzillai Richmond, *Mr.* John Brown, *Mr.* Gideon Hoxſey, *Mr.* Thomas Eyres, *Mr.* Thomas Potter, *jun. Mr.* Peleg Barker, *Mr.* Edward Thurſton, *Mr.* William Redwood, Joſeph Clarke, *Eſq*; *Mr.* John G. Wanton, *and Mr.* Thomas Robinſon, *with many other Perſons, appear as Undertakers in the valuable Deſign: And thereupon a Petition hath been preferred to this Aſſembly, praying that full Liberty and Power may be granted unto ſuch of them, with others, as are hereafter mentioned, to found, endow, order, and govern a COLLEGE, or UNIVERSITY, within this Colony; and that, for the more effectual Execution of this Deſign, they may be incorporated into One Body Politic, to be known in the Law, with the Powers, Privileges, and Franchiſes, neceſſary for the Purpoſe aforeſaid.*

NOW THEREFORE KNOW YE, That, being willing to encourage and patronize ſuch an honorable and uſeful Inſtitution, we the

the ſaid Governor and Company, in General Aſſembly convened, *do*, for ourſelves and our Succeſſors, in and by Virtue of the Power and Authority, within the Juriſdiction of this Colony, to us by the Royal Charter granted and committed, *Enact*, *Grant*, *Conſtitute*, *Ordain and Declare*, *And it is hereby Enacted*, *Granted*, *Conſtituted*, *Ordained*, *and Declared*, That the Hon. *Stephen Hopkins*, Eſq; the Hon. *Joſeph Wanton*, jun. Eſq; the Hon. *Samuel Ward*, Eſq; the Hon. *William Ellery*, Eſq; *John Tillinghaſt*, Eſq; *Simon Peaſe*, Eſq; *James Honyman*, Eſq; *Nicholas Eaſton*, Eſq; *Nicholas Tillinghaſt*, Eſq; *Darius Seſſions*, Eſq; *Joſeph Harris*, Eſq; *Francis Willet*, Eſq; *William Logan*, Eſq; *Daniel Jenckes*, Eſq; *George Hazard*, Eſq; *Nicholas Brown*, Eſq; *Jeremiah Niles*, Eſq; *Joſhua Babcock*, Eſq; Mr. *John G. Wanton*, the Rev. *Edward Upham*, the Rev. *Jeremiah Condy*, the Rev. *Marmaduke Brown*, the Rev. *Gardner Thurſton*, the Rev. *Ezra Stiles*, the Rev. *John Greaves*, the Rev. *John Maxſon*, the Rev. *Samuel Winſor*, the Rev. *John Gano*, the Rev. *Morgan Edwards*, the Rev. *Iſaac Eaton*, the Rev. *Samuel Stillman*, the Rev. *Samuel Jones*, the Rev. *James Manning*, the Rev. *Ruſſel Maſon*, Col. *Eliſha Reynolds*, Col. *Joſias Lyndon*, Col. *Job Bennet*, Mr. *Ephraim Bowen*, *Joſhua Clarke*, Eſq; Capt. *Jonathan Slade*, *John Taylor*, Eſq; Mr. *Robert Shettell Jones*, *Azariah Dunham*, Eſq; Mr. *Edward Thurſton*, jun. Mr. *Thomas Eyres*, Mr. *Thomas Haſzard*, and Mr. *Peleg Barker*, or ſuch, or ſo many of them as ſhall, within Twelve Months from the Date hereof, accept of this Truſt, and qualify themſelves as herein after directed, and their Succeſſors, ſhall be forever hereafter One Body Corporate and Politic, in Fact and Name, to be known in Law by the Name of, *Truſtees and Fellows of the* COLLEGE, *or* UNIVERSITY, *in the* Engliſh *Colony of* Rhode-Iſland, *and* Providence *Plantations*, *in* New-England, *in* America; the Truſtees and Fellows, at any Time hereafter, giving ſuch more particular Name to the College, in Honor of the greateſt and moſt diſtinguiſhed Benefactor, or otherwiſe, as they ſhall think proper: Which Name, ſo given, ſhall, in all Acts, Inſtruments, and Doings of ſaid Body Politic, be ſuperadded to their Corporate Name aforeſaid, and become a Part of their legal Appellation, by which it ſhall be forever known and diſtinguiſhed: And that, by the ſame Name, they and their Succeſſors, choſen by themſelves, as hereafter preſcribed, ſhall, and may, have perpetual Succeſſion; and ſhall, and may, be Perſons able and capable, in the Law, to ſue and to be ſued, to plead and to be impleaded, to anſwer and to be anſwered unto, to defend and to be defended againſt, in all and ſingular Suits, Cauſes, Matters, Actions, and Doings, of what Kind ſoever: And alſo to have, take, poſſeſs, purchaſe, acquire, or otherwiſe receive and hold Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, Goods, Chattles, or other Eſtates; of all which they may, and ſhall, ſtand and be ſeized, notwithſtanding any Miſnomer of the College, or the Corporation thereof; and by whatever Name, or however imperfectly the ſame ſhall be deſcribed in Gift, Bequeſts, and Aſſignments, provided the true Intent of the Aſſignor or Benefactor be evident: Alſo the ſame to grant, demiſe, aliene, leaſe, uſe, manage, and improve, according to the Tenor of the Donations, and to the Purpoſes, Truſts, and Uſes to which they ſhall be ſeized thereof.

And full Liberty, Power, and Authority is hereby granted unto the ſaid Truſtees and Fellows, and their Succeſſors, to found a *College*, or *Univerſity*, within this Colony, for promoting the liberal Arts, and univerſal Literature: And with the Monies, Eſtates, and Revenues, of which they ſhall from Time to Time become legally ſeized as aforeſaid, to endow the ſame: And erect the neceſſary Buildings and Edifices thereof on ſuch Place within this Colony as they ſhall think convenient: And generally to regulate, order, and govern the ſame, appoint Officers, and make Laws, as herein after preſcribed; and hold, uſe, and enjoy all the Liberties, Privileges, Exemptions, Dignities, and Immunities, enjoyed by any College, or Univerſity, whatever.

And *furthermore*, That the ſaid Truſtees and Fellows, and their Succeſſors, ſhall, and may, forever hereafter have a Public Seal, to uſe for all Cauſes, Matters, and Affairs whatever, of them and their Succeſſors, and the ſame Seal to alter, break, and make anew, from Time to Time, at their Will and Pleaſure; which Seal ſhall always be depoſited with the Preſident, or Senior Fellow.

And *furthermore, By the Authority aforeſaid, It is hereby Enacted, Ordained and Declared*, That it is now, and at all Times hereafter ſhall continue to be, the unalterable Conſtitution of this College, or Univerſity, that the Corporation thereof ſhall conſiſt of Two Branches, *to wit*: That of the Truſtees, and that of the Fellowſhip, with diſtinct, ſeparate, and reſpective Powers: And that the Number of the Truſtees ſhall, and may be Thirty-ſix; of which Twenty-two ſhall forever be elected of the Denomination called Baptiſts, or Antipædobaptiſts; Five ſhall forever be elected of the Denomination called Friends, or Quakers; Four ſhall forever be elected of the Denomination called Congregationaliſts, and Five ſhall forever be elected of the Denomination called Epiſcopalians: And that the Succeſſion in this Branch ſhall be forever choſen and filled up from the reſpective Denominations in this Proportion, and according to theſe Numbers; which are hereby fixed, and ſhall remain to Perpetuity immutably the ſame. And that the ſaid *Stephen Hopkins*, *Joſeph Wanton*, *Samuel Ward*, *William Ellery*, *John Tillinghaſt*, *Simon Peaſe*, *James Honyman*, *Nicholas Eaſton*, *Nicholas Tillinghaſt*, *Darius Seſſions*, *Joſeph Harris*, *Francis Willett*, *Daniel Jenckes*, *George Hazard*, *Nicholas Brown*, *Jeremiah Niles*, *John G. Wanton*, *Joſhua Clarke*, *Gardner Thurſton*, *John Greaves*, *John Maxſon*, *John Gano*, *Samuel Winſor*, *Iſaac Eaton*, *Samuel Stillman*, *Ruſſel Maſon*, *Eliſha Reynolds*, *Joſias Lyndon*, *Job Bennet*, *Ephraim Bowen*, *John Taylor*, *Jonathan Slade*, *Robert Shettell Jones*, *Azariah Dunham*, *Edward Thurſton*, jun. and *Peleg Barker*; or ſuch, or ſo many of them as ſhall qualify themſelves as aforeſaid, ſhall be, and they are hereby declared and eſtabliſhed the firſt and preſent Truſtees. And that the Number of the Fellows, incluſive of the Preſident (who ſhall always be a Fellow) ſhall and may be Twelve; of which Eight ſhall be forever elected of the Denomination called Baptiſts, or Antipædobaptiſts; and the reſt indifferently of any or all Denominations. And that the Rev. *Edward Upham*, the Rev. *Jeremiah Condy*, the Rev. *Marmaduke Brown*, the Rev. *Morgan Edwards*,

Edwards, the Rev. *Ezra Stiles*, the Rev. *Samuel Jones*, the Rev. *James Manning*, *William Logan*, Eſq; *Joſhua Babcock*, Eſq; Mr. *Thomas Eyres*, and Mr. *Thomas Haſzard*, or ſuch, or ſo many of them as ſhall qualify themſelves as aforeſaid, ſhall be, and they are hereby declared the firſt and preſent Fellows and Fellowſhip, to whom the Preſident, when hereafter elected (who ſhall forever be of the Denomination called Baptiſts, or Antipædobaptiſts) ſhall be joined to complete the Number.

And *furthermore*, *It is Declared and Ordained*, That the Succeſſion in both Branches, ſhall at all Times hereafter be filled up and ſupplied according to theſe Numbers, and this eſtabliſhed and invariable Proportion from the reſpective Denominations by the ſeparate Election of both Branches of this Corporation, which ſhall at all Times ſit and act by ſeparate and diſtinct Powers: And in general, in order to the Validity and Conſummation of all Acts, there ſhall be in the Exerciſe of their reſpective, ſeparate and diſtinct Powers, the joint Concurrence of the Truſtees and Fellows, by their reſpective Majorities, except in adjudging and conferring the Academical Degrees, which ſhall forever belong, excluſively, to the Fellowſhip as a Learned Faculty.

And *furthermore*, *It is Conſtituted*, That the Inſtruction and immediate Government of the College ſhall forever be, and reſt in the Preſident and Fellows or Fellowſhip.

And *furthermore*, *It is Ordained*, That there ſhall be a general Meeting of the Corporation on the Firſt *Wedneſday* in *September* annually, within the College Edifice, and until the ſame be built, at ſuch Place as they ſhall appoint, to conſult, adviſe and tranſact the Affairs of the College or Univerſity: At which, or at any other Time, the Public Commencement may be held and celebrated. And that on any ſpecial Emergencies, the Preſident, with any Two of the Fellows, or any Three of the Fellows, excluſive of the Preſident, may convoke, and they are hereby empowered to convoke an Aſſembly of the Corporation on Twenty Days Notice: And that in all Meetings, the major Vote of thoſe preſent of the Two Branches reſpectively, ſhall be deemed their reſpective Majorities aforeſaid: *Provided*, That not leſs than Twelve of the Truſtees, and Five of the Fellows, be a Quorum of their reſpective Branches. That the Preſident, or, in his Abſence, the Senior Fellow preſent, ſhall always be Moderator of the Fellows: That the Corporation, at their annual Meetings, once in Three Years, or oftner in Caſe of Death or Removal, ſhall, and may chooſe a Chancellor of the Univerſity, and Treaſurer, from among the Truſtees, and a Secretary from among the Fellows: That the Nomination of the Chancellor ſhall be in the Truſtees, whoſe Office ſhall be only to preſide as a Moderator of the Truſtees; and that in his Abſence, the Truſtees ſhall chooſe a Moderator for the Time being, by the Name of Vice-Chancellor: And at any of their Meetings, duly formed as aforeſaid, ſhall, and may be elected a Truſtee or Fellow, or Truſtees, or Fellows, in the Room of thoſe nominated in this Charter, who may refuſe to accept, or in the Room of thoſe who may die, reſign, or be removed.

And *furthermore*, *It is Enacted, Ordained and Declared*, That this Corporation, at any of their Meetings, regularly convened as aforeſaid, ſhall,

ſhall, and may, elect and appoint the Preſident and Profeſſors of Languages, and the ſeveral Parts of Literature: And upon the Demiſe of him or them, or either of them, their Reſignation or Removal from his or their Office, for Miſdemeanor, Incapacity, or Unfaithfulneſs, (for which he or they are hereby declared removeable by this Corporation) others to elect and appoint in their Room and Stead: And at ſuch Meeting, upon the Nomination of the Fellows, to elect and appoint Tutors, Stewards, Butlers, and all ſuch other Officers uſually appointed in Colleges or Univerſities, as they ſhall find neceſſary, and think fit to appoint for the promoting liberal Education, and the well ordering the Affairs of this College; and them, or any of them, at their Diſcretion to remove, and ſubſtitute others in their Places. And in Caſe any Preſident, Truſtee or Fellow, ſhall ſee Cauſe to change his religious Denomination, the Corporation is hereby empowered to declare his or their Place or Places vacant, and may proceed to fill up it or them accordingly, as before directed, otherwiſe each Truſtee and Fellow not an Officer of Inſtruction, ſhall continue in his Office during Life, or until Reſignation. And further, in Caſe either of the Religious Denominations ſhould decline taking a Part in this catholic, comprehenſive and liberal Inſtitution, the Truſtees and Fellows ſhall and may compleat their Number, by electing from their reſpective Denominations, always preſerving their reſpective Proportions herein before preſcribed and determined: And all Elections ſhall be by Ballot or written Suffrage. And that a Quorum of Four Truſtees and Three Fellows may tranſact any Buſineſs, excepting placing the College Edifice, Election of Truſtees, Preſident, Fellows and Profeſſors, *that is to ſay*, ſo that their Acts ſhall be of Force and Validity until the next annual Meeting, and no longer.

And *it is further Enacted and Ordained by the Authority aforeſaid*, That each Truſtee and Fellow, as well thoſe nominated in this Charter, as all that ſhall hereafter be duly elected, ſhall previous to their acting in a corporate Capacity, take the Engagement of Allegiance preſcribed by the Law of this Colony to His Majeſty King *George* the Third, His Heirs and Rightful Succeſſors to the Crown of *Great-Britain*, which Engagement ſhall be adminiſtred to the preſent Truſtees and Fellows; by the Governor or Deputy-Governor of this Colony, and to thoſe from Time to Time hereafter elected by their reſpective Moderators, who are hereby empowered to adminiſter the ſame.

And ſtill more clearly to define and aſcertain the reſpective Powers of the Two Branches, on making and enacting Laws, *It is further Ordained and Declared*, That the Fellowſhip ſhall have Power, and are hereby empowered from Time to Time, and at all Times hereafter, to make, enact and publiſh all ſuch Laws, Statutes, Regulations and Ordinances, with Penalties, as to them ſhall ſeem meet, for the ſucceſsful Inſtruction and Government of ſaid College or Univerſity, not contrary to the Spirit, Extent, true Meaning and Intention of the Acts of the *Britiſh* Parliament, or the Laws of this Colony; and the ſame Laws, Statutes and Ordinances to repeal: Which Laws, and the Repeals thereof, ſhall be laid before the Truſtees, and with their Approbation ſhall be of Force and Validity, but not otherwiſe. And further, the

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Truſtees and Fellows, at their Meetings aforeſaid, ſhall aſcertain the Salaries of the reſpective Officers, and order the Monies aſſeſſed on the Students for Tuition, Fines, and incidental Expences, to be collected by the Steward, or ſuch other Officer as they ſhall appoint to collect the ſame; and the ſame, with their Revenues, and other College Eſtates in the Hands of the Treaſurer, to appropriate in diſcharging Salaries and other College Debts: And the College Accounts ſhall be annually auditted and adjuſted in the Meeting of the Corporation.

And *furthermore*, *It is hereby Enacted and Declared*, That into this liberal and catholic Inſtitution, ſhall never be admitted any religious Teſts: But on the contrary, all the Members hereof ſhall forever enjoy full, free, abſolute, and uninterrupted Liberty of Conſcience: And that the Places of Profeſſors, Tutors, and all other Officers, the Preſident alone excepted, ſhall be free and open for all Denominations of Proteſtants: And that Youth of all religious Denominations ſhall and may be freely admitted to the equal Advantages, Emoluments, and Honors of the College or Univerſity; and ſhall receive a like, fair, generous, and equal Treatment during their Reſidence therein, they conducting themſelves peaceably, and conforming to the Laws and Statutes thereof. And that the public Teaching ſhall, in general, reſpect the Sciences; and that the Sectarian Differences of Opinions, ſhall not make any Part of the public and claſſical Inſtruction: Although all religious Controverſies may be ſtudied freely, examined and explained by the Preſident, Profeſſors, and Tutors, in a perſonal, ſeparate, and diſtinct Manner, to the Youth of any or each Denomination: And above all, a conſtant Regard be paid to, and effectual Care taken of, the Morals of the College.

And *furthermore*, for the Honor and Encouragement of Literature, *we Conſtitute and Declare*, the Fellowſhip aforeſaid, a *Learned Faculty*; and do hereby give, grant unto, and inveſt them, and their Succeſſors, with full Power and Authority, and they are hereby authorized and empowered, by their Preſident, and in his Abſence, by the Senior Fellow, or One of the Fellows appointed by themſelves at the anniverſary Commencement, or at any other Times, and at all Times hereafter, to admit to, and confer any and all the learned Degrees, which can or ought to be given and conferred in any of the Colleges or Univerſities in *America*; or any ſuch other Degrees of literary Honor as they ſhall deviſe, upon any and all ſuch Candidates and Perſons as the Preſident and Fellows, or Fellowſhip, ſhall judge worthy of the Academical Honors: Which Power of conferring Degrees, is hereby reſtricted to the learned Faculty, who ſhall or may iſſue Diplomas, or Certificates, of ſuch Degrees, or confer Degrees by Diplomas, and authenticate them with the Public Seal of the Corporation, and the Hands of the Preſident and Secretary, and of all the Profeſſors, as Witneſſes, and deliver them to the Graduates as honorable and perpetual Teſtimonies.

And *furthermore*, for the greater Encouragement of this Seminary of Learning, and that the ſame may be amply endowed and enfranchiſed with the ſame Privileges, Dignities, and Immunities enjoyed by the *American* Colleges, and *European* Univerſities, *We do Grant*, *Enact*, *Ordain*,

Ordain, and Declare, And it is hereby Granted, Enacted, Ordained, and Declared, That the College Eſtate, the Eſtates, Perſons, and Families of the Preſident and Profeſſors, for the Time being, lying and being within the Colony, with the Perſons of the Tutors and Students, during their Reſidence at the College, ſhall be freed and exempted from all Taxes, ſerving on Juries, and menial Services: And that the Perſons aforeſaid ſhall be exempted from bearing Arms, Impreſſes and military Services, except in Caſe of an Invaſion.

AND *furthermore*, for eſtabliſhing the Perpetuity of this Corporation, and in Caſe that at any Time hereafter, thro' Overſight, or otherwiſe thro' Miſapprehenſions and miſtaken Conſtructions of the Powers, Liberties, and Franchiſes herein contained, any Laws ſhould be enacted, or any Matters done and tranſacted by this Corporation contrary to the Tenor of this Charter, *It is hereby Enacted, Ordained, and Declared*, That all ſuch Laws, Acts, and Doings, ſhall be in themſelves null and void: *Yet, Nevertheleſs*, the ſame ſhall not, in any Courts of Law, or by the General Aſſembly, be deemed, taken, interpreted, or adjudged into an Avoidance, Defeazance, or Forfeiture of this Charter: But that the ſame ſhall be, and remain unhurt, inviolate, and entire unto the ſaid Corporation, in perpetual Succeſſion: Which Corporation may, at all Times, and forever hereafter; proceed, and continue to act: And all their Acts, conformable to the Powers, Tenor, true Intent and Meaning of the Charter, ſhall be, and remain in full Force and Validity; the Nullity and Avoidance of any ſuch illegal Acts to the contrary in any wiſe notwithſtanding.

AND *laſtly*, We the Governor and Company aforeſaid *Do*, for ourſelves and our Succeſſors, *forever hereby Enact, Grant, and Confirm* unto the ſaid Truſtees and Fellows, and to their Succeſſors, That this Charter of Incorporation, and every Part thereof, ſhall be good and available in all Things in the Law, according to our true Intent and Meaning: And ſhall be conſtrued, reputed, and adjudged in all Caſes moſt favorably on the Behalf and for the beſt Benefit and Behoof of the ſaid Truſtees and Fellows, and their Succeſſors, ſo as moſt effectually to anſwer the valuable Ends of this uſeful Inſtitution.

IN *full Teſtimony* of which Grant, and of all the Articles and Matters therein contained, the ſaid Governor and Company *do hereby order*, That this Act ſhall be ſigned by the Governor and Secretary, and ſealed with the Public Seal of this Colony, and regiſtred in the Colony's Records: And that the ſame, or an Exemplification thereof, ſhall be a ſufficient Warrant to the ſaid Corporation to hold, uſe and exerciſe all the Powers, Franchiſes, and Immunities herein contained.

WHEREAS *Daniel Jenckes*, Eſq; Mr. *Nathaniel Mumford*, and *Samuel Brenton*, Eſq; preſented unto this Aſſembly the following Report, *to wit*: We

We the Subſcribers being appointed a Committee, by the Hon. the General Aſſembly, to adjuſt what reaſonable Allowances ought to be made by the Colony on the Queries of the General Treaſurer, do report, That the Soldiers be allowed their Wages 'till the Twentieth of *January* laſt, and Billeting from the Time they entered the Government 'till the ſaid Twentieth of *January*: Alſo that they be allowed Twenty Shillings *York* Currency, for their Subſiſtence Home. And as ſeveral of them have drawn on the Treaſurer in Favour of *Volkert Douw*, Eſq; for more than that Sum; we are of Opinion that the Overpluſs of thoſe Draughts ought to be deducted from their Wages, and the Orders paid by the Treaſurer to Mr. *Douw*.

We have alſo examined the ſeveral Accounts preſented to us by Capt. *George Cornell* againſt the Colony, and do think he ought to be allowed of them the Amount of Thirty-five Pounds Eight Shillings, Lawful Money, as *per* Account herewith.

The Inquiries regarding a Second Bounty, we beg Leave to ſubmit to your Honors Determination: Alſo the Query regarding Doctor *Brown*'s Draught.

Eaſt-Greenwich, *March* 3d, 1764.

Daniel Jenckes,
Nathaniel Mumford,
Samuel Brenton.

And the ſaid Report being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted: And that the ſeveral Perſons entituled to Money, in Conſequence of the above Report, be paid the ſame out of the General Treaſury.

And *it is further Voted and Reſolved*, That the Sum of Thirty Shillings, Lawful Money, be allowed and paid to each of the abovementioned Soldiers out of the General Treaſury, for their Second Bounty.

Whereas *Joſeph Lippitt*, Eſq; Mr. *John Waterman*, jun. and *Daniel Howland*, Eſq; preſented unto this Aſſembly, the following Report, *to wit*:

Whereas the Honorable the General Aſſembly now held at *Eaſt-Greenwich*, within the Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, appointed us the Subſcribers a Committee to audit the Accounts of ſundry Ship-Carpenters and other Artificers who were taken at *Oſwego*, and carried into Captivity by the *French*; and we in Obedience to ſaid Appointment, having taken the Matter under Conſideration, and examined the Muſter Roll, Evidences, and other Papers relating ſaid Accounts, find due (ſince ſaid Fortreſs was ſurrendered to the *French*, 'till the Deceaſe or Return Home of the ſeveral Perſons undernamed) the following Sums, *to wit*:

John Tarbox, inliſted as a Carpenter; captivated the 14th of *Auguſt*, 1756. Twelve Months Wages due, amounting to £. 54-0-0 Sterling.

Beriah Goddard, Carpenter; captivated as above: Six Months and One Half Wages due, amounting to £. 29-5-0 Sterling.

Thomas Goddard, Carpenter; captivated as above: Eleven Months Wages due, amounting to £. 49-10-0 Sterling.

Benjamin

Benjamin Nichols, Sawer aloft; captivated as above: Six Months Wages due, amounting to £. 23-12-6 Sterling.

William Nelſon, Seaman; captivated as above: Twenty-two Months and Five Days Wages due, amounting to £. 33-5-8 Sterling.

Edward Clanning, Sawer, *&c.* captivated as above: Twelve Months Wages due, amounting to £. 43-17-6 Sterling.

Joſeph Peterſon, Carpenter; captivated as above: Twelve Months Wages due, amounting to £. 54-0-0 Sterling.

Samuel Mott, Sawer; captivated as above: Twelve Months Wages due, amounting to £. 40-10-0 Sterling.

George Munro, Caulker; captivated as above: Twenty Months Wages due, amounting to £. 67-10-0 Sterling.

All which is ſubmitted, by

Joſeph Lippitt,
John Waterman, jun.
Daniel Howland,
} Commit.

Eaſt-Greenwich, *March* 2d, 1764.

And the ſaid Report being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted: That *Joſeph Sherwood*, Eſq; the Agent for this Colony in *Great-Britain*, be, and he is hereby directed to lay this Affair before the Lords of the Treaſury and the Lords of the Admiralty: *Provided*, That no Charge ariſes to the Colony thereby.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That Meſſrs. *Moſes Brown* and *Silas Downer*, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of the Directors of the *Providence* Court-Houſe Lottery: And that they make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

It *is Voted and Reſolved*, That *John Andrews* and *Thomas Aldrich*, Eſqrs. be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to ſettle and determine an Action between the Colony's Truſtees and *Richard Rice*: And that they make Report to this Aſſembly as ſoon as may be.

Whereas *Daniel Jenckes*, *James Angell*, and *Nicholas Tillinghaſt*, Eſqrs. preſented unto this Aſſembly, the following Report, *to wit*:

We the Subſcribers being appointed by the General Aſſembly at their Seſſion in *October*, 1763, a Committee to examine and adjuſt the Accounts of *John Andrews*, Eſq; Judge of the Court of Vice Admiralty for this Colony, reſpecting a Quantity of Sugars ſeized and condemned, and ſold at Vendue; One Third Part of which belonged to this Colony, do report, That after due Examination of ſaid Accounts, and making the proper Deductions for the Charges accruing on Condemnation and Sale, we find a Balance of Five Hundred and Ninety-one Pounds Ten Shillings Old Tenor, due to the Colony from the ſaid *John Andrews*, Eſq; and now in his Hands,

Daniel Jenckes,
James Angell,
Nicholas Tillinghaſt.

Eaſt-Greenwich, *March* 2d, 1764.

And the ſaid Report being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted.

Whereas

WHEREAS it appears to this Aſſembly, That there is no Reaſon for the Complaint againſt *Allin Brown*, Eſq; *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That he be, and hereby is diſcharged.

WHEREAS *Nicholas Tillinghaſt*, *Joſeph Lippitt*, and *Eliſha Brown*, Eſqrs. who were appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of Meſſrs. *Bernard Eddy* and *Joſeph Sheldon*, for Re-building and repairing *Weyboſſet* Bridge, preſented unto this Aſſembly the following Accounts of the ſaid *Bernard Eddy* and *Joſeph Sheldon*, together with their Report thereon; and alſo an Account charged by the ſaid *Joſeph Lippitt*, againſt the Colony *to wit*:

Colony of Rhode-Iſland *Dr. to* Bernard Eddy,
For Re-building Weyboſſet *Bridge*:

1761, *Nov.* To *Oliver Fuller*'s Bill,	£. 100	0	0
To *Edward Spalding*'s Bill,	16	10	0
To *Comfort Wheaton*'s Bill,	18	15	0
To *Joſeph Parker*'s Bill,	16	0	0
To *William Herrington*,	31	10	0
To *Chriſtopher Williams*'s Bill,	40	0	0
To *Abel Potter*'s Bill,	16	0	0
To *Benjamin Man*'s Bill,	42	0	0
To *Joſhua Spooner*'s Bill,	24	15	0
To *Samuel Jacob*'s Bill.	7	10	0
To *William Giles*'s Bill,	24	15	0
To *Joſeph Arnold*'s Bill,	33	0	0
To *William Howſton*'s Bill,	75	0	0
To *Thomas Weſtcott*'s Bill,	30	0	0
To *George Jackſon*'s Bill,	32	17	0
To *Eſeck Eddy*'s Bill,	40	0	0
To *Brown* and *Angell*'s Bill,	205	0	0
To *Conſtant Luther*'s Bill,	40	0	0
To *Zachariah Eddy*'s Bill, (Work)	95	0	0
To *Hope Hawkins*,	112	0	0
To *John M'Neal*'s Bill,	34	10	0
To *Amaſa Kellum*'s Bill,	38	10	0
To *Jabez Pearce*'s Bill,	36	0	0
To *Joſeph Potter* and *James Field*, their Bill,	194	0	0
To *Amaſa Kellum*'s 2d Bill,	60	10	0
To *William Howſton*'s Bill,	33	2	0
To *Edward Arnold*'s Bill,	75	5	0
To *Samuel Black*'s Bill,	104	0	0
To *Jonathan Arnold*'s Bill,	108	0	0
To *John Waterman*'s Bill,	14	0	0
To *Thomas Borden*'s Bill,	36	0	0
To *Daniel Thornton*'s Bill,	33	0	0
To *James Hayle*'s Bill,	10	0	0
To *Gideon Brown*'s Bill,	267	7	0

To *Allin Brown*'s Bill,	£. 95	0	0
To *Robert Gibb*'s Bill	13	10	0
To *James Angell*'s Bill,	27	10	0
To *Amos Atwell*'s Bill,	41	15	0
To *Jacob Whitman*'s Bill,	13	9	10
To *Joſiah King*'s Bill,	15	0	0
To *Nicholas* and *John Brown*, their Bill,	35	0	0
To *Jonathan Olney*'s Bill,	36	0	0
To *Samuel Chace*'s Bill,	35	0	0
To *George Law*'s Bill,	42	0	0
To *Stephen Hopkins*, Eſq; his Bill,	40	0	0
To *John Andrews*' Bill,	291	5	0
To *John Waterman*'s Bill,	30	0	0
To *Elijah Bacon*'s Bill,	10	10	0
To *John Wilmarth*'s Bill, charged by *N.* and *J. B.*	19	5	0
To *Richard Everitt*,	12	0	0
To *Ephraim Walker*'s Bill,	11	0	0
To *William Wheaton*'s Bill,	5	0	0
To Capt. *John Cole*'s Bill,	40	0	0
To 30 Days Work of myſelf, at £. 7	210	0	0
To 30 Days Work of *Thomas Rone*, at £. 4	120	0	0
To 28 Days Ditto of *Joſeph Eddy*, at £. 4	112	0	0
To 30 Days Ditto of my Negroes, at £. 4	120	0	0
To 20 Days Ditto of *Benjamin Eddy*, jun. at 70*ſ.*	70	0	0
To 12 Days Ditto of *William Martin*, at £. 4	48	0	0
To 26 Days Hire of my Scow, at 40*ſ.*	52	0	0
To 20 Days Work of *William Chatty*, at £. 5	100	0	0
To 1 Pine String Piece,	30	0	0
To 1361 Feet of Plank, at 3*ſ. per* Foot,	204	3	0
To 2 Weeks and 1 Day's Board of *John M'Neal* at £. 9	19	10	0
To Horſe-hire to go to the Treaſurer,	16	0	0
To 9 Days Work of *William Roſs*, at £. 5	45	0	0
To 2½ Cord of Stones, at £. 7	17	10	0
To 11 Days Work of *Weymouth Ham*, at £. 5	55	0	0
To 2 Days Ditto of *Abel Peavy*,	12	0	0
To 1½ Day's Ditto of *Joſiah Alger*,	9	0	0
To *Robert Bell* for Rigging,	9	18	9
To Caſh paid 7 Negroes for Work,	18	0	0
To Caſh paid *Donniſon*'s Man for Labour,	4	0	0
To Caſh paid *Levi Ham* for Ditto,	4	0	0
To Freight of 11 Cord of Stones, 70*ſ.*	38	10	0
To my Time and Trouble in collecting Materials, Bills, &c. over and above my Days Work,	60	0	0
	£. 4230	12	7
To Mr. *Job Smith*'s Bill for collecting the Materials of the Bridge carried off by the Tide,	126	17	6
	£. 4357	10	1

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By the Colony's Grant, -	£. 1000	0	0	
By 3 old String Pieces ſold, -	24	0	0	
	£. 1024	0	0	
Balance due to *Bernard Eddy*,	3333	10	1	
				£. 4357 10 1

Colony of Rhode-Iſland *Dr. to* Joſeph Sheldon,
For repairing Weyboſſet *Bridge.*

1762,			
Dec. To Mr. *Joſeph Sheldon*'s Bill for Plank and Work,	£. 100	2	0
To Mr. *David Burr*'s Bill, - -	91	15	0
To *Jacob Whitman*'s Bill, - - -	9	8	0
To *Allin Brown*'s Bill for Boards, - -	142	18	0
To *Benjamin Mann*'s Bill, - - -	84	0	0
To *Abel Peavy*'s Bill, - - -	48	0	0
To *Amos Atwell*'s Bill for Nails, - -	14	0	0
To *Benjamin Belknap*'s Bill for Timber, - -	60	0	0
To *William Wheaton*'s Bill, - - -	42	10	0
To *William Smith*'s Bill, - -	27	0	0
To *Thomas Williams*'s Bill, - - -	52	10	0
To *Benjamin Allin*'s Bill for Work, - -	60	0	0
To Mr. *Stanley*'s Bill for Timber, - -	35	0	0
To *John Waterman*'s Bill for ditto, - -	30	0	0
To *Edward Spalding*'s Bill for ditto, -	18	0	0
To *Ephraim Bowen*'s Bill, - -	10	10	0
To *Solomon Drown*'s Bill, - - -	5	2	0
To *Jonathan Olney*'s Bill for Timber, - -	15	0	0
To *John Jones*'s Bill for 1 Day's Work, - -	6	0	0
	£. 851	15	0

Providence, October 20, 1763.

WE the Subſcribers (together with *Joſeph Harris*, Eſq;) being appointed a Committee by the Hon. the General Aſſembly, at their laſt Seſſion, to audit the Accounts of Mr. *Bernard Eddy* for Re-building *Weyboſſet* Bridge in the Year 1761, which was unhappily carried away by a moſt extraordinary high Tide, in the Month of *October* in ſaid Year: And alſo the Accounts of Mr. *Joſeph Sheldon*, for repairing and new railing ſaid *Weyboſſet* Bridge in the Year 1762; have performed ſaid Service, and herewith preſent an Abſtract of their reſpective Accounts; proper Vouchers for the ſeveral Charges contained therein having been preſented to us: We find a Balance of Three Thouſand Three Hundred and Thirty-three Pounds Ten Shillings and One Penny, due to the ſaid *Bernard Eddy*, after deducting the Colony's Grant of One Thouſand Pounds; and Twenty-four Pounds for ſome old Timber

Timber ſold: And the Sum of Eight Hundred and Fifty-one Pounds Fifteen Shillings Old Tenor, due to the ſaid *Joſeph Sheldon*.

WITNESS our Hands in *Providence*, the Day of the Date before-mentioned.

Nicholas Tillinghaſt,
Joſeph Lippitt,
Eliſha Brown,
} Commit.

Colony of Rhode-Iſland *Dr. to* Joſeph Lippitt,

For 2 Days Attendance on the ſaid Buſineſs, - £. 12 0 0

AND the Premiſſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted: That One Thouſand Pounds Old Tenor, of the foregoing Account of the ſaid *Bernard Eddy*, be paid him out of the General Treaſury: And that the Sum of Twelve Pounds (being the Amount of his Account) be paid the ſaid *Joſeph Lippitt*, out of the General Treaſury.

AN ACT for the more ſpeedy calling in and ſinking all the outſtanding Bills of Credit, emitted by Virtue of an Act of the General Aſſembly of this Colony, made and paſſed at their Seſſion held by Adjournment at Providence, *on the 18th Day of* March, A. D. 1750, *(which is called the Ninth Bank) and were let out upon Loan: And likewiſe for putting a final End to the Name of Old Tenor, throughout this Colony.*

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof It is Enacted, That from and after the Publication of this Act, it ſhall and may be lawful for all and every Perſon and Perſons who have taken any Sum of the Bills of Credit of this Colony, emitted by Virtue of an Act of the General Aſſembly of this Colony, made and paſſed at the Seſſion held on the 18th Day of *March*, *A. D.* 1750, and have mortgaged his, her or their Lands, to ſecure the Payment thereof to the Truſtees of the Colony; or ſuch other Perſon or Perſons who are now obliged to pay any Sum or Sums of ſaid Bills to the Colony, may by Force and Virtue of this Act, at any Time before the Firſt Day of *January*, *A. D.* 1766, pay any One or more Fifth or Fifths, and receive the Bond or Bonds for ſuch Fifth or Fifths ſo paid, or pay the whole Sum that remains due upon the Mortgage, to the Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office for the Time being, who is hereby fully empowered and commanded to receive the ſame, either in the identical Bills ſo emitted, or in Silver at the Rate of Seven Pounds for One *Spaniſh* Silver milled Dollar, or other Silver at the ſame Rate, or in Gold, being equivalent thereto: And the ſaid Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office aforeſaid, upon the Receipt of the whole of what is due on the Mortgage, together with a Certificate from the General Treaſurer, that the Intereſt of

of ſaid Sum is paid in any of the Bills of Credit of this Colony, or in Silver and Gold as aforeſaid, ſhall be obliged to deliver up ſuch Mortgage, with a Diſcharge thereon, together with all the Bonds dependent thereon, to ſuch Perſons who ſhall pay the Money as aforeſaid.

And *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That all Perſons who are poſſeſſed of any of the Bills of Credit emitted by Virtue of the aforeſaid Act of Aſſembly, may carry the ſame to the Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office, who is hereby empowered to receive the ſame, and give in Exchange therefor, Silver and Gold, at the Rate of Seven Pounds for One *Spaniſh* Silver milled Dollar, as faſt as Silver and Gold ſhall be paid into the ſaid Office, for the aforeſaid Loan Money. Any Law, Cuſtom or Uſage, to the contrary hereof, in any wiſe notwithſtanding.

I do beg Leave for to proteſt
Againſt this Bill, which doth tranſgreſs
Againſt our Sov'reign Lord the King:
Likewiſe Injuſtice is therein;
For I can't ſee, upon my Soul,
Why Two Fifths ſhould diſcharge the whole.

James Barker, jun.

Whereas the Bounty allowed by Law for deſtroying of *Wolves* is not ſufficient: And whereas it is repreſented by the Inhabitants of the Northern and Weſtern Parts of the Colony, that they have for ſome Years paſt, and very lately, ſuffered greatly by having their Creatures deſtroyed by thoſe ravenous Beaſts:

Be *it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted*, That for the future, the Bounty or Premium for killing of *Wolves* be augmented to Four Pounds Lawful Money *per* Head. And that Proof of the ſame be made as heretofore by Law required.

Whereas the Laws of this Colony regulating Appeals from the ſame to His Majeſty in Council, do not require Bonds of the Appellee, to ſecure to the Appellant his Coſts upon a Reverſal of the Judgment: Whereby the Appellant may not withſtand a Reverſal of the Judgment, and His Majeſty's Order in Council for his Coſts be by the Appellee defeated of the ſame, in that the Appellee may before the final Determination of the Cauſe, either be rendered Inſolvent, or make his Eſcape, ſo that neither his Body nor Effects can be found.

For Remedy whereof for the future,

Be *it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted*, That whenever any Appeal is granted from this Colony to His Majeſty in Council, that both the Appellee and Appellant ſhall,

before they be admitted to receive from the Clerk of the Superior Court Copies of their Caſe, give Bond into his Office, with good and ſufficient Surety, in the Sum of Two Hundred Pounds, Sterling Money of *Great-Britain*, to be anſwerable to each other for the Coſt ariſing on ſaid Proſecution, agreeable with the final Determination of the ſame before His Majeſty in Council. Any Law, Cuſtom or Uſage to the contrary hereof notwithſtanding.

AN ACT empowering the General Treaſurer to diſpoſe of Seven Thouſand Five Hundred and Seventy-ſix Pounds Sterling, being Part of the Money granted by the Crown to the Colonies.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed, and fully empowered, to ſell and diſpoſe of Two Thouſand Five Hundred and Seventy Six Pounds Sterling, (being Part of the Money granted to the Colonies, for reimburſing them the Charges which aroſe on raiſing Forces for the Expedition in the Year 1761) by drawing Bills of Exchange on *Joſeph Sherwood*, Eſq; the Agent for this Colony in *Great-Britain*, payable at Twenty Days Sight, in Favour of any Perſons who ſhall purchaſe the ſame, by bringing into the General Treaſury, ſuch Lawful Money Bills of this Colony as were emitted in the Months of *March* and *April*, 1759, or Silver and Gold.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Silver and Gold by this Means placed in the General Treaſury, ſhall be appropriated to the redeeming ſaid *March* and *April* Lawful Money Bills; which ſhall carry Intereſt 'till the Time they are carried into the General Treaſury, and no longer: Provided the ſaid Bills, emitted in *March*, 1759, are carried in by the Fifteenth Day of *March*: And alſo provided the ſaid Bills, emitted in *April*, 1759, are carried in by the Fourth Day of *April* next.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to diſpoſe of the ſaid Sterling Money at the following Rate of Exchange, *to wit*: For every Bill of Exchange he ſhall draw for One Hundred Pounds Sterling, he ſhall receive One Hundred Pounds Sterling, and in Proportion for a greater or leſs Sum, reckoning a *Spaniſh* Silver milled Dollar, as alſo Six Shillings of the ſaid Lawful Money Bills of Credit, to be equal to Four Shillings and Six Pence Sterling.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Form of the Bills of Exchange to be drawn, be as followeth, *to wit*:

Exchange for £. *Sterling.*

Newport, Rhode-Iſland, *A. D.* 1764.

In Purſuance of an Act of the General Aſſembly of the Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, for Value received, at Twenty Days Sight of this my First

Firſt *per* Exchange, (Second and Third of the ſame Tenor and Date, not paid) pay to or Order, the Sum of Sterling, out of the Money in your Hands, granted by the Crown to the Colonies in *North-America*, to reimburſe them the Charges of raiſing the Troops for the Expedition againſt His Majeſty's Enemies in the Year One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-one, with or without further Advice from *Your Humble Servant*,

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed, and fully empowered, to ſell and diſpoſe of Five Thouſand Pounds, Sterling, (being Part of the Money granted to the Colonies, for reimburſing them the Charges which aroſe on raiſing Forces for the Expedition in the Year 1762) by drawing Bills of Exchange on *Joſeph Sherwood*, Eſq; the Agent for this Colony in *Great-Britain*, payable at Thirty Days Sight, in Favor of any Perſons who ſhall purchaſe the ſame, by bringing into the General Treaſury either Gold and Silver, or ſuch Lawful Money Bills of this Colony as were emitted in the Months of *March* and *April*, A. D. 1759.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Silver and Gold by this Means placed in the General Treaſury, ſhall be appropriated to the redeeming of the ſaid *March* and *April* Lawful Money Bills; which ſhall carry Intereſt 'till the Time of their ſeveral Periods being up, and become payable, and no longer: Provided the ſaid Lawful Money Bills, emitted in *March*, are carried in by the Fifteenth Day of *March*, *A. D.* 1764: And alſo provided the ſaid Bills, emitted in *April*, 1759, are carried in by the Fourth Day of *April* next.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to diſpoſe of the ſaid Sterling Money at the following Rate of Exchange, *to wit*: For every Bill of Exchange he ſhall draw for One Hundred Pounds Sterling, he ſhall receive One Hundred Pounds Sterling, and in Proportion for a greater or leſs Sum, reckoning a *Spaniſh* milled Dollar, as alſo Six Shillings of the ſaid Lawful Money Bills of Credit, to be equal to Four Shillings and Six Pence Sterling.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Form of the Bills of Exchange to be drawn, be as followeth, *to wit*:

Exchange for £. *Sterling.*

Newport, Rhode-Iſland, *A. D.* 1764.

In Purſuance of an Act of the General Aſſembly of the Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, for Value received, at Thirty Days Sight of this my Firſt *per* Exchange, (Second and Third, of the ſame Tenor and Date, not paid) pay to or Order, the Sum of Sterling, out of the Money in your Hands, granted by the Crown to the Colonies in *North-America*, to reimburſe them the Charges of raiſing the Troops for the Expedition againſt His Majeſty's Enemies in the Year One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-two. But if ſaid Money ſhould not be in your Hands by the Time this Bill becomes due, then to pay ſaid

ſaid Sum when ſaid Money ſhall come into your Hands, with Intereſt, at the Rate of Five *per Cent. per Annum*, from the End of the abovementioned Thirty Days, not exceeding Twelve Months, to the Time this Bill ſhall be paid; which Intereſt ſhall be full Satisfaction for all Damages which ſhall ariſe on this Bill's being proteſted; which Proteſt ſhall be made as ſoon as poſſible after the Expiration of the ſaid Twelve Months, from and after the Time this Bill ſhall become due, with or without further Advice from

Your Humble Servant,

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to draw no Bill for a leſs Sum than Twenty Pounds, Sterling.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to ſend a Copy of this Act to *Joſeph Sherwood*, Eſq; the Agent for this Colony, as ſoon as may be.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That a Copy of this Act be inſerted in the *Newport Mercury* Three Weeks ſucceſſively.

WHEREAS Capt. *Volikert Douw* exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, conſiſting of ſeveral Articles not allowed in his Account by the Gentlemen who auditted the ſame: Which being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Sum of One Hundred and Ninety-nine Pounds Sixteen Shillings and Nine Pence, *New-York* Currency, of the ſaid Account, be allowed and paid the ſaid *Volikert Douw*, out of the General Treaſury: And that upon the Payment of the ſaid Sum, the ſaid *Volikert Douw* give the General Treaſurer, a general and final Diſcharge from all further Demands againſt the Colony.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That Capt. *Volikert Douw* be paid the Sums due to him from the Colony, out of the Money owing from the Province of *Pennſylvania*, as ſoon as the ſame ſhall be received: And that 'till then, the ſaid *Volikert Douw* be allowed Intereſt for the ſaid Sums, at the Rate of Six *per Cent. per Annum*.

WHEREAS *Henry Rice*, Eſq; Sheriff for the County of *Kent*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for warning the Members of the General Aſſembly in ſaid County, to attend at *January* Seſſion; for providing Wood; for his Attendance upon this Aſſembly during the preſent Seſſion, *&c.* And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Three Pounds Two Shillings, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Henry Rice* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS

WHEREAS by an Act of the General Aſſembly of this Colony, made and paſſed at the Seſſion held on the Twenty-third Day of *February*, A. D. 1714, entituled, "An Act for regiſtring Deeds and Conveyances", *it is Enacted*, That all Deeds and Conveyances of any Houſes or Lands within this Colony, ſigned and ſealed by the Party or Parties granting the ſame, having good Right and lawful Authority thereto, and acknowledged by ſuch Grantor or Grantors, before any Aſſiſtant or Juſtice of the Peace in the Colony, and recorded at Length in the Regiſtry of the Town where ſuch Houſes and Lands do lie, within the Space of Six Months from the Date of ſuch Conveyances, ſhall be valid without any other Act or Ceremony whatſoever: And whereas the allowing ſo long a Time for recording ſuch Deeds and Conveyances as aforeſaid, is attended with many Inconveniencies:

BE *it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted*, That that Part of ſaid Act allowing Six Months for recording of Deeds and Conveyances, be, and it is hereby repealed and made null and void: That for the future, when any Deed or Conveyance is made in Manner as aforeſaid, the ſame ſhall immediately after the Execution thereof, be delivered to the Town Clerk of the Town where the Houſes and Lands, conveyed by ſaid Deeds or Conveyances, lie, in Order to be recorded: And that when Two or more Deeds or Conveyances ſhall be made by any Perſon or Perſons for One and the ſame Real Eſtate, that Deed or Conveyance only, which ſhall be firſt delivered to the Town Clerk to be recorded, ſhall be good and valid in the Law for holding ſaid Eſtate, and the other ſhall be null and void, to all Intents and Purpoſes whatſoever, excepting againſt the Grantor or Grantors, and their Heirs, for recovering Damages.

AND *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That when, and as often as any Sheriff or Deputy Sheriff ſhall, for any juſt Debt, attach the Real Eſtate of any Perſon or Perſons whatſoever in this Colony, by Virtue of any Writ, or levy an Execution upon ſuch Real Eſtate, he ſhall immediately notify the Town Clerk of the Town, where ſuch Real Eſtate lies, thereof, by a Writing under his Hand, which the Town Clerk ſhall receive, and enter thereon the Time he ſhall receive the ſame, and lodge it upon File in his Office: And if at that Time there is no Deed or Conveyance upon Record, or in the Hands of the Town Clerk from the Perſon or Perſons whoſe Land is attached or levied upon as aforeſaid, then ſuch Attachment or Levying ſhall be good and valid.

AND *be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That every Deed of Mortgage, and other Deed made for any Real Eſtate, where there is a Bond of Defeazance, or other Inſtrument in Writing, executed, which will make ſuch Deed operate as a Mortgage, ſuch Mortgage Deed and other Deed ſhall be delivered to the Town Clerk of the Town where ſuch Real Eſtate lies, to be entered upon Record immediately after the Execution thereof: And that the Bond of Defeazance, or other Writing, ſhall be delivered to the Town Clerk, ſo as that the ſame may be entered upon Record immediately after the Deed; otherwiſe ſuch Bond or other Writing, ſhall not operate againſt any Perſon who ſhall purchaſe ſuch Real Eſtate of the Perſon to whom the Firſt Deed is given.

WHEREAS the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize and General Gaol Delivery, which was to have been held at *Briſtol*, within and for the County of *Briſtol*, in this Colony, in *October* laſt, fell through, for Want of a ſufficient Number of Judges:

IT *is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Court be revived: That all Buſineſs of every Kind whatſoever, lying before the ſaid Court when it fell through as aforeſaid, be brought before the ſaid Court at the next Term thereof, to be held in *April* next, to be then tranſacted and done: And that the ſame ſhall be as good, binding and effectual, to every Intent and Purpoſe, as if the ſaid Court which fell through, had been held, and the ſaid Buſineſs had been continued to the next Term of ſaid Court, to be holden as aforeſaid.

WHEREAS *Edward Boſworth*, Eſq; of *Warren*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, that in the Year 1755, he received of *Ichabod Ide*, and his Aſſociates, Three counterfeit Sixteen Pound Bills, and One of the ſame Denomination of *James Clay*, alſo counterfeited by the ſaid *Ide*, and his Aſſociates, for which he paid Sixteen Dollars: That he (not knowing the ſaid Bills to be counterfeit) paſſed them to *Matthew Allen*, Eſq; for Sixty-four Pounds Old Tenor; and after the ſaid *Ide* was convicted, was obliged to refund the ſaid Sum to the ſaid *Allen*, at 12½ *per Cent*. That the ſaid Bills were delivered to his Honor *Stephen Hopkins*, Eſq; the then Governor: That the Eſtates of the ſaid *Ide* and his Aſſociates have been forfeited, and ſeized for the Uſe of the Government, and that there is a yearly Income ariſing to the Colony out of the ſame, of Twenty-nine Pounds Five Shillings, Old Tenor, which will continue during the natural Life of One of the Aſſociates of the ſaid *Ide*: And thereupon the ſaid *Edward Boſworth* prayed this Aſſembly that he may be reimburſed the ſaid Sum, with the Intereſt thereof, out of the General Treaſury.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay the ſaid *Edward Boſworth* Sixty-four Pounds Old Tenor, out of the Rent of the aforementioned Land.

WHEREAS Mr. *Thomas Briggs* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Six Days Attendance upon this Aſſembly during the preſent Seſſion: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Twenty Shillings and Seven Pence, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Thomas Briggs* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Edmond Johnſon* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Six Days Attendance upon the General Aſſembly during the preſent Seſſion: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Twenty Shillings and Seven Pence, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Edmond Johnſon*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS

WHEREAS Capt. *Job Spencer* preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That at a Town Meeting held in *Weſt-Greenwich* on the Firſt *Tueſday* in *December* laſt, he was directed by a Vote of the ſaid Town to petition this Aſſembly to grant a Lottery for raiſing a Sum of Money to build a Work-houſe in ſaid *Weſt-Greenwich*, for the more eaſy Maintenance of the Poor of ſaid Town: And thereupon the ſaid *Job Spencer* prayed this Aſſembly to grant a Lottery for raiſing the Sum of One Hundred and Thirty Pounds, Lawful Money, to be appropriated for the building a Work-houſe in the ſaid Town of *Weſt-Greenwich*: And to appoint ſome proper Perſons Directors for the carrying on and conducting ſaid Lottery.

On Conſideration whereof,

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Prayer of the ſaid *Job Spencer*, in the foregoing Petition contained, be, and the ſame is hereby granted: That *Samuel Hopkins* and *Preſerved Hall*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *Benjamin Gardner*, be appointed Directors of the ſaid Lottery: And that they give Bond for the faithful Performance of the Truſt repoſed in them, according to Cuſtom.

WHEREAS *George Brown*, of *Providence*, Eſq; preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That he is indebted to the ſinking Fund of this Colony in the Sum of Ten Thouſand Pounds, Old Tenor, for which he hath given Security to the Truſtees of the Colony: And that there are outſtanding Judgments to the Amount of ſeveral Thouſand Pounds in Part of ſaid Sum, which ſtill remain unpaid: And thereupon the ſaid *George Brown* prayed this Aſſembly that he and his Sureties may not be proſecuted for the ſame, until ſaid outſtanding Judgments may be recovered, or until further Orders from this Aſſembly.

On Conſideration whereof,

It is Voted and Reſolved, That all Proceedings againſt the ſaid *George Brown*'s Bondſmen be ſtayed, until further Orders from this Aſſembly.

WHEREAS Mr. *Peter Boſs*, jun. One of the Deputy Sheriffs for *King*'s County, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time, Horſe-hire and Expences, in warning the Members of the General Aſſembly in ſaid County, to attend at *January* Seſſion, by Virtue of a Warrant from his Honor the Governor; and alſo for his Attendance at the ſaid Seſſion Four Days: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and Two Pounds Eight Shillings and Eight Pence, Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Peter Boſs*, jun. out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Abner Spencer*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Six Days Attendance upon this Aſſembly at the preſent Seſſion, for cutting Wood, cleanſing the Court-Houſe, *&c.* And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Twenty-ſix Shillings and Seven Pence, Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Abner Spencer* out of the General Treaſury.

IT

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That Col. *Sylveſter Child* and Mr. *Martin Luther*, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to enquire what Counterfeit Bills *Joſeph Munro* and others were concerned in making, and are now in the Hands of the Inhabitants of *Warren*; and how much Money is in the General Treaſury, that hath ariſen by the Eſtates forfeited by Means of counterfeiting ſaid Bills: Alſo to inſpect into all other Circumſtances reſpecting ſaid Affair: And that they make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That all Officers receive their Fees as heretofore, until the next Seſſion of this Aſſembly.

WHEREAS *Rufus Spencer*, Eſq; late Sheriff of the County of *Kent*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for providing Wood for, and for Attendance upon the Courts, *&c.* And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Two Pounds Seven Shillings and Ten Pence, Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Rufus Spencer*, out of the General Treaſury.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That *Darius Seſſions*, *Jeremiah Whipple*, and *John Dexter*, Eſqrs. be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of *Eliſha Ballou*, late a Lieutenant in the Service of this Colony againſt His Majeſty's Enemies: And that they make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion: That the Secretary publiſh all the Acts and Orders now made and paſſed, by Beat of Drum, in the Town of *Newport*, in Ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, and ſend a Copy of the ſame, together with the Acts and Orders made and paſſed at the laſt Seſſion, within Thirty Days to each Town in the Colony. And that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned to the Firſt *Tueſday* in *May* next, if called at that Time, but if not called before, nor at that Day, then this Aſſembly ſhall be, and hereby is diſſolved.

GOD Save the KING.

Publiſhed according to Order, on the Twelfth Day of March, 1764.

By HENRY WARD, *Secr'y.*

A true Copy, duly examined.

WITNESS, Henry Ward Secry.

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At the GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of RHODE-ISLAND, and PROVIDENCE Plantations, in *New-England*, in *America*; begun and holden at *Newport*, within and for the Colony aforeſaid, on the Firſt Wedneſday in *May*, in the Year of our LORD One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-four, and Fourth of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty *GEORGE* the Third, by the Grace of GOD, KING of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT.

The Honorable STEPHEN HOPKINS, Eſq;
GOVERNOR.

The Honorable JOSEPH WANTON, jun. Eſq;
DEPUTY GOVERNOR.

JAMES HONYMAN, Eſq;
PELEG THURSTON, Eſq;
NICHOLAS TILLINGHAST, Eſq;
DARIUS SESSIONS, Eſq;
JOHN ALMY, Eſq;
JOSEPH LIPPITT, Eſq;
JONATHAN RANDALL, Eſq;
SAMUEL BROWNELL, jun. Eſq;
JOSEPH HAZARD, Eſq;
THOMAS CHURCH, Eſq;
} Aſſiſtants.

The SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES.

DEPUTIES from the ſeveral Towns.

NEWPORT;
Mr. *Metcalfe Bowler*,
Mr. *John Wanton*, (Son of *Gideon*)
George Hazard, Eſq;
Mr. *Benjamin Greene*,
Daniel Ayrault, jun. Eſq;
Capt. *William Read*.

PROVIDENCE;
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq;
Mr. *Moſes Brown*,
Mr. *Jacob Wightman*,
Mr. *Eſek Hopkins*.

PORTSMOUTH;
David Anthony, Eſq;
Mr. *Thomas Brownell*,
Mr. *George Brownell*,
Mr *Jonathan Cornell*.

WARWICK;
Philip Greene, Eſq;
Othniel Gorton, Eſq;
Benjamin Arnold, (the third) Eſq;
John Warner, jun. Eſq;

WESTERLY;
Mr. *James Babcock*, jun.
Mr. *David Maxſon* (the Second.)

NEW-SHOREHAM;
Mr. *John Littlefield*,
Capt. *John Paine*.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN;
Mr. *William Hall* (Son of *John*)
Peter Phillips, Eſq;

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN;
Thomas Potter, jun. Eſq;
Mr. *Enoch Haſzard*.

EAST-GREENWICH;
Major *Preſerved Pierce*,
Mr. *Abial Hall*.

JAMESTOWN;
Mr. *John Gardner*,
Mr. *Oliver Martin*.

SMITHFIELD;
Capt. *Joſeph Morey*, jun.
Mr. *Samuel Winſor*.

SCITUATE;
Job Randal, Eſq;
Jeremiah Angell, Eſq;

GLOUCESTER;
Richard Steere, Eſq;
Benjamin Smith, Eſq;

CHARLESTOWN;
Robert Potter, Eſq;
Chriſtopher Champlin, Eſq;

WEST-GREENWICH;
Preſerved Hall, Eſq;
Job Spencer, Eſq;

COVENTRY;
Obadiah Johnſon, Eſq;
John Rice, Eſq;

EXETER;
Joſeph Holway, Eſq;
Daniel Barber, Eſq;

MIDDLETOWN;
Mr. *Gideon Coggeſhall*,
Mr. *John Holmes*.

BRISTOL;
Mr. *William Bradford*,
Capt. *Simeon Potter*.

TIVERTON;
Mr. *Job Durfey*,
Mr. *William Cooke*.

LITTLE-COMPTON.
William Hall, Eſq;
Oliver Hilyard, Eſq;

WARREN;
Major *Nathaniel Peck*,
Mr. *Cromel Child*.

CUMBERLAND;
John Dexter, Eſq;
Joſeph Davis, Eſq;

RICHMOND;
Capt. *Simeon Clarke*,
Capt. *Caleb Barber*.

CRANSTON;
Caleb Potter, Eſq;
Capt. *Richard Searle*.

HOPKINTON;
Joſhua Clarke, Eſq;
John Maxſon, Eſq;

JOHNSTON;
Thomas Owen, Eſq;
Mr. *John Waterman*, jun.

DANIEL AYRAULT, jun. Eſq; was choſen Speaker, and JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe. This

THIS being the anniverſary Election of Officers, both Civil and Military, the Gentlemen whoſe Names are ſet down in the ſubſequent Liſt, were choſen to ſerve the Colony in the Offices aſcribed to their reſpective Names, *to wit* :

The Hon. STEPHEN HOPKINS, Eſq; Governor. Engaged.
The Hon. JOSEPH WANTON, jun. Eſq; Deputy Governor. Engaged.
Peleg Thurſton, Eſq; Firſt Aſſiſtant. Engaged.
Gideon Cornell, Eſq; Second Aſſiſtant. Engaged.
Nicholas Tillinghaſt, Eſq; Third Aſſiſtant. Engaged.
Darius Seſſions, Eſq; Fourth Aſſiſtant. Engaged.
John Almy, Eſq; Fifth Aſſiſtant. Engaged.
Joſeph Lippitt, Eſq; Sixth Aſſiſtant. Engaged.
Jonathan Randall, Eſq; Seventh Aſſiſtant. Engaged.
Samuel Brownell, jun. Eſq; Eighth Aſſiſtant. Engaged.
Joſeph Hazard, Eſq; Ninth Aſſiſtant. Engaged.
Thomas Church, Eſq; Tenth Aſſiſtant. Engaged.
Henry Ward, Eſq; Secretary. Engaged.
Auguſtus Johnſton, Eſq; Attorney-General. Engaged.
Joſeph Clarke, Eſq; General Treaſurer. Engaged.

John Cole, Eſq;	Chief	Juſtice of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, in and throughout the Colony.
Thomas Green, Eſq;	Second	
Silas Niles, Eſq;	Third	
Job Bennet, jun. Eſq;	Fourth	
Stephen Potter, Eſq;	Fifth	

Benjamin Sherburne, Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Newport*.
Charles Olney, Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*.
John Potter (the Third) Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *King's County*
Sylveſter Child, Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Briſtol*.
John Waterman, Eſq; Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kent*.
Jabez Champlin, Eſq; Lieutenant Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Newport*.
Thomas Angell, Eſq; Lieutenant Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*.
Elias Thompſon, Eſq; Lieutenant Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *King's County*.
Thomas Church, Eſq; Lieutenant Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Briſtol*.
Joab Stafford, Eſq; Lieutenant Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kent*.
Charles Spooner, Eſq; Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Newport*.
Rufus Smith, Eſq; Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*.

James

James Babcock, Eſq; Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *King's County*.

Newbey Coggeſhall, Eſq; Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Briſtol*.

Henry Gardner, Eſq; Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kent*.

Edward Scott, Eſq; Chief
Jonathan Freeborn, Eſq; Second
John Shearman, jun. Eſq; Third
William Anthony, Eſq; Fourth
John Barker, Eſq; Fifth

Juſtice of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Newport*.

Daniel Jenckes, Eſq; Chief
Job Randall, Eſq; Second
Thomas Lapham, Eſq; Third
Jeremiah Whipple, Eſq; Fourth
Thomas Owen, Eſq; Fifth

Juſtice of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Providence*.

Stephen Hazard, Eſq; Chief
Immanuel Northup, Eſq; Second
Chriſtopher Champlin, Eſq; Third
Benoni Hall, Eſq; Fourth
Nathan Teffit, Eſq; Fifth

Juſtice of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *King's County*.

William Munroe, Eſq; Chief
Nathaniel Pearce, Eſq; Second
Ebenezer Cole, Eſq; Third
Joſeph Reynolds, Eſq; Fourth
Joſiah Humphry, Eſq; Fifth

Juſtice of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Briſtol*.

Philip Greene, Eſq; Chief
William Spencer, Eſq; Second
Othniel Gorton, Eſq; Third
Caleb Greene, Eſq; Fourth
Samuel Hopkins, Eſq; Fifth

Juſtice of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Kent*.

John Grelea, Eſq; Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, within and for the County of *Newport*.

Caleb Harris, Eſq; Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, within and for the County of *Providence*.

Freeman Perry, Eſq; Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, within and for the County of *King's County*.

Samuel Church, Eſq; Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, within and for the County of *Briſtol*.

Benjamin

Benjamin Spencer, Eſq; Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, within and for the County of *Kent*.

Joſias Lyndon, Eſq; Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Newport*.

Mr. *George Jackſon*, Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Providence*.

Mr. *Stephen Haſzard*, jun. Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *King's County*.

Royal Payne, Eſq, Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Briſtol*.

Daniel Howland, Eſq; Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Kent*.

Samuel Brenton, Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *Newport*.
Samuel Angell, Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *Providence*.
Beriah Brown, Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *King's County*.
John Brown, Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *Briſtol*.
Henry Rice, Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *Kent*.

The Hon. *Gideon Wanton*, Eſq; *Edward Thurſton*, *John Jepſon*, *Samuel Chace*, *James Arnold*, and *Nicholas Eaſton*, Eſqrs. the Grand Committee, or Colony's Truſtees, for ſigning Bills of Public Credit.

And the aforeſaid *Edward Thurſton* is choſen, and eſpecially appointed to take, and have the Care and Charge of the Colony's Mortgages and Bonds for Tenths, and to receive the Money due, and to be due thereon: And alſo to make and give proper Acquitances and Diſcharges upon the Mortgages, or otherwiſe, when he receives any of the Colony's Money: And in Caſe of Non-Payment, to put in Suit the Bonds and Mortgages of all ſuch as refuſe or neglect to make due Payment.

And the ſame *Edward Thurſton*, is choſen General Sealer of Weights and Meaſures throughout the Government.

Henry Paget, Eſq; Public Notary for the Town and County of *Providence*.

Juſtices of the Peace in the ſeveral Towns.

NEWPORT;
Martin Howard,
Samuel Collins,
Charles Bardin,
Peter Eaſton,
Henry Ward,
Barnabas Hargill,
Daniel Goddard,
John Grelea, *jun.*
John Davis, *jun.*
Jonathan Eaſton,
James Milward,
John Butts,
Jonathan Rogers,
John Pitman, *Eſquires.*

PROVIDENCE;
Joſeph Snow,
Ebenezer Jenckes,
James Angell,
Samuel Chace,
Stephen Rawſon,
Joſeph Naſh,
Benjamin Man, *Eſquires.*
PORTSMOUTH;
Joſeph Shearman, *jun.*
Samuel Pearce,
Clarke Cornell,
Reſteome Sandford,
Sampſon Shearman, *Eſquires.*
WARWICK;
John Warner, *jun.*
Barlow Greene,
Ebenezer Slocum,
Samuel Gorton, (*Son of* Samuel)
Thomas Rice,
Eliſha Wightman,
Rufus Barton, *Eſquires.*
WESTERLY;
Joſeph Crandall,
Richard Berry,
Thomas Gardner,
Stephen Lampheare,
Iſaac Babcock,
Benjamin Crandal,
Joſeph Gavet, *Eſquires.*
NORTH-KINGSTOWN;
William Hall, (*Son of* Robert)
George Northup,
Nicholas Northup, *jun.*
Benjamin Jefferſon,
Joſeph Arnold, *jun.*
Jeremiah Gardner, *jun.*
Iſhmael Spink,
Samuel Hunt, *jun.*
John Congdon, *jun. Eſquires.*
SOUTH-KINGSTOWN;
Jonathan Hazard, (*Son of* Robert)
John Lillibridge,
Rowland Robinſon,
John Sheldon,
Jeremiah Crandal,
Adam Gould,
Oliver Helme, *Eſquires.*
EAST-GREENWICH;
Samuel Sowle,
George Vaughan,
Thomas Shippee,
Job Comſtock,
James Wightman,
Sylveſter Sweet,
Jonathan Johnſton, *Eſquires.*
SMITHFIELD;
William Arnold,
Thomas Steere,
Samuel Winſor,
Daniel Mowrey,
Daniel Mowrey, *jun.*
John Sayles, *jun.*
Stephen Sly, *Eſquires.*
SCITUATE;
Gideon Harris,
Charles Harris,
John Fiſke,
Jeremiah Angell,
Benjamin Slack,
Timothy Hopkins,
Thomas Brown,
Oliver Weſteote,
Joſiah Bennet, *Eſquires.*
GLOUCESTER;
Andrew Brown,
Timothy Wilmarth,
Iſrael Arnold,
Benjamin Smith,
Jonathan Harris,
Iſrael Sayles,
Zebedee Hopkins, *jun. Eſquires.*
CHARLESTOWN;
John Hill,
Job Taylor,
Stanton York,
James Kinyon,
John Stanton, *Eſquires.*
WEST-GREENWICH;
William Comſtock,
Oliver Mius,
Judiah Ayleſworth,
Thomas Rogers,
Job Spencer,
David Hopkins,
Samuel Hopkins, *jun. Eſquires.*
COVENTRY;
Joſeph Bennet,
John Rice,

Ichabod

Ichabod Bowen,
Francis Brayton, *Eſquires.*
EXETER;
Job Tripp,
Newman Perkins,
William Weight,
Jeffery Wilcox,
David Stanton,
William Hall, *Eſquires.*
MIDDLETOWN;
Joſhua Coggeſhall,
Joſeph Peabody,
John Gould, *jun.*
George Cornell, *Eſquires.*
BRISTOL;
Joſeph Read,
William Hoar,
Nathaniel Carey,
William Cox,
Stephen Wardwell, *Eſquires.*
TIVERTON;
Samuel Hicks,
Reſtcome Sanford,
Thomas Anthony,
Gideon Wilcox,
Oliver Cooke,
John Jennings, *Eſquires.*
LITTLE-COMPTON;
Joſeph Wood,
Conſtant Southworth,
Aaron Wilbore,
William Richmond, *jun. Eſqrs.*
WARREN;
Thomas Cole,
John Wheaton,
Edward Boſworth,
Benjamin Cole,
Barnet Miller,
Moſes Tyler, *Eſquires.*

CUMBERLAND;
John Dexter,
Joſeph Davis,
Nathaniel Robinſon,
Uriah Jillſon,
John Gould,
Abner Lapham,
Abial Brown, *Eſquires.*
RICHMOND;
Samuel Tefft,
Edward Perry,
Sylveſter Kinyon,
John Webſter,
Richard Bailey,
Enoch Lewis,
William Pettis,
Robert Stanton, *Eſquires.*
CRANSTON;
William Burton,
Jeremiah Field,
Caleb Potter,
Zuriel Waterman,
Stephen Sheldon, *Eſquires.*
HOPKINTON;
Benjamin Barber,
John Mc Coon,
John Maxſon,
John Burdick,
Joſhua Brown,
Joſeph Collins,
Elias Button,
Joſhua Clarke, *jun. Eſquires.*
JOHNSTON;
Henry Harris,
Edward Sheldon,
Joſiah King,
Abraham Belknap,
Jonathan Stone,
David Sprague, *Eſquires.*

Samuel Carr, Captain of Fort *George.*

Thomas Gould, Eſq; Third Juſtice of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Newport*, in the Room of *John Shearman*, jun. Eſq; who declines ſerving.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That all Officers who were to have been choſen at this Seſſion of Aſſembly, and were not, be, and they are hereby

by continued in their reſpective Offices, with as full Powers and ample Authority as they have at any Time had ſince their Firſt Appointment.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That *Nicholas Cook* and *Eliſha Brown*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *George Jackſon*, be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to examine and ſettle the Accounts of *Daniel Jenckes*, Eſq; and Mr. *William Wheaton*, reſpecting the Grant made to them for carrying on the Building of the Court-Houſe in *Providence*: And that they make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That *Nicholas Tillinghaſt* and *James Angel*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *George Jackſon*, be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to examine and ſettle all the Accounts between the Colony and *Allin Brown*, Eſq; And that they make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

AN ACT for eſtabliſhing and regulating FEES.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted, That the Eſtabliſhment of the Fees of the ſeveral Officers in the Colony ſhall be as followeth for the future, in Lawful Money, *to wit*:

FEES of the GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

For every Petition preferred to the General Aſſembly, to be divided between the Two Houſes; the Upper Houſe One Third, and the Lower Houſe Two Thirds, over and above what is allowed to the Secretary and Clerk of the Lower Houſe, - - - - -	£.	0	6 0

In the SUPERIOR COURT:

FEES of the JUSTICES.

For the Entry of every Action for Trial, - - -	0	12	0
For taking every ſpecial Bail, - - -	0	1	0
For allowing a Writ of Error, - - -	0	1	0
For allowing an Habeas Corpus, - - -	0	1	0
For confeſſing Judgment, - - -	0	0	6
For all Criminal Caſes where a Fine is ſet, - - -	0	1	6
For taxing every Bill of Coſt, - - - -	0	0	6

CLERKS FEES:

For Entry of every Action, - - - -	0	0	6
For filing Reaſons of Appeal or Anſwer, - - -	0	0	4
For all Copies not exceeding One Page, - - -	0	0	8
If above One Page, for the Firſt Page, - - -	0	0	8

For

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For every Page above One, Twenty-five Lines in a Page, and Eight Words in a Line,	0	0	7
For every Action called,	0	0	4
For a Scire Facias and Seal,	0	1	0
For recording Judgment,	0	0	9
For ſwearing every Witneſs,	0	0	3
For a Writ of Execution,	0	1	0
For writing Evidences, the ſame as copying,			
For Acquital of Felony or Suſpicion thereof,	0	0	6
For entering a Rule of Court,	0	0	6
For every Bond taken,	0	0	7
For entering Traverſe upon Indictment,	0	0	4
For filing an Inventory of Goods taken by Execution,	0	0	3
For every Perſon ſummoned,	0	0	3
For filing every Return in Court,	0	0	2
For every Evidence read in Court,	0	0	2
For withdrawing an Action,	0	0	3
For Diſcharge of every Perſon upon Bail to the Peace, and ſo forth,	0	0	6
For every Petition read in Court,	0	0	3
For Order thereon,	0	0	3
For examining every Bill of Coſt,	0	0	3
For ſearching the Records,	0	0	6
If above One Hour, for every Hour above One,	0	0	5
For attending the Court by the Day,	0	2	0
For a Writ of Review,	0	1	6
For acknowledging Satisfaction of Judgment upon Record,	0	0	6

SECRETARY'S FEES:

For every Commiſſion for the Juſtices of each County, to be paid out of the General Treaſury,	0	0	9
For every Commiſſion for a Military Officer, to be paid out of the General Treaſury,	0	0	8
For a ſpecial Warrant, or Mittimus, by Order of the Governor and Council,	0	1	0
For every Commiſſion under the Colony Seal for Places of Profit.	0	1	0
For every Bond,	0	0	8
For every Order of the Council to the Benefit of particular Perſons,	0	0	6
For every Petition to the Governor and Council or General Aſſembly,	0	0	6
And where there is an adverſe Party,	0	0	9
For tranſcribing the Acts or Laws paſſed by the General Aſſembly into a Book, for every Page, Twenty-five Lines in a Page, and Eight Words in a Line,	0	0	9
For copying, the ſame as the Clerk of the Superior Court,			
For attending the General Aſſembly and General Council by the Day,	0	8	0

	£.		
For affixing the Colony Seal to any Commiſſion, or other Writing for the Colony,		0	9
For entering a Proteſt in Court, -		0	6
For proclaiming the Acts and Orders of Aſſembly,		0	3
For every Page of the Acts and Orders of the General Aſſembly ſent out in Print,		0	¼
For making a Certificate, and affixing the Colony Seal to any Writing to be ſent abroad,		0	4

In the INFERIOR COURT:

FEES of the JUSTICES.

For entering every Action, - -	0	2	0
For taking ſpecial Bail, - -	0	0	6
For confeſſing Judgment, - -	0	0	4
For taxing every Bill of Coſt, -	0	0	3
For every Special Court called; if the Judges meet they ſhall be allowed £. 0-10-0 whether the Action be entered or not,	-	-	-

CLERK's FEES.

For every Writ and Seal, - -	0	0	6
For entering every Action, - -	0	0	5
For entering Judgment upon Record, -	0	0	9
For all Copies, the ſame as the Clerk of the Superior Court,	-	-	-
For every Action withdrawn, or Non Suit, -	0	0	4
For every Writ of Execution, -	0	0	10
For filing every Declaration, Reaſon of Appeal, and Anſwer or Plea,	0	0	4
For every Action called in Court, -	0	0	3
For entering a Nihil Dicit, - -	0	0	3
For entering a Rule of Court to Referrees or Auditors,	0	0	4
For Bond in the Clerk's Office, -	0	0	6
And where the Attorney being a Freeholder, becomes obliged, the ſame Fee,	-	-	-
For every Perſon ſummoned,	0	0	2
For every Paper or Evidence in a Caſe, -	0	0	2
For ſearching the Records, not exceeding One Hour,	0	0	6
If above One Hour, for the Firſt Hour, -	0	0	6
And for every Hour after, - -	0	0	5
For every Return to Court, - -	0	0	2
For examining every Bill of Coſt, -	0	0	3
For ſwearing every Witneſs, -	0	0	2
For writing Evidences, the ſame as copying,	-	-	-
For entering Appearance, - -	0	0	2
For attending the Court by the Day, -	0	1	6
For recording a Deputation from the Sheriff,	0	0	6
For a Summon for Vouchers, -	0	0	6
For acknowledging Satisfaction of Judgment upon Record,	0	0	3

CLERK

CLERK of the SESSIONS of the PEACE, his FEES.

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For entering Complaint upon Indictment,	0	0	6
For every Recognizance, - -	0	0	9
For the Discharge of every Recognizance, -	0	0	3
For making forth a Process against Criminals,	0	0	6
For every Warrant for the Peace or good Behaviour,	0	0	6
For Acquittal of Felony, or Suspicion thereof,	0	0	4
In all other Respects the same as the Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas,	-	-	-

JUSTICES and WARDENS of the PEACE, their FEES:

For a Writ of Arrest, - -	0	0	6
For every Summons, - -	0	0	3
For annexing an Account, -	0	0	2
For administring an Oath or Engagement, -	0	0	3
For writing an Evidence, not exceeding One Page, Twenty-five Lines in a Page, and Eight Words in a Line,	0	0	6
And in Proportion for all above a Page, -	-	-	-
For Judgment, - -	0	1	6
For the Recording thereof, -	0	0	6
For a Bond to the Peace or good Behavior,	0	0	9
For a Bond to appeal, - -	0	0	6
For a Writ of Execution, -	0	0	9
For every Recognizance, - -	0	0	9
For the Copy of a Case, the same as the Clerk of the Inferior Court.	-	-	-
For taking the Acknowledgement of any Writing,	0	0	6
For marrying Persons, - -	0	3	0

SHERIFFS FEES:

For serving a Writ, not above One Mile from Home,	0	0	6
If above One Mile, for every Mile's Travel out,	0	0	4
For attending a Person under Arrest before imprisoned, by the Day (not exceeding Three Days in the whole)	0	1	0
For the Copy of a Writ, - -	0	0	4
For attending the Court by the Day, -	0	2	0
For Attendance in every Action, -	0	0	3
For Discharge of every Person upon Bail to the Peace,	0	0	3
For every Paper or Evidence in a Case, -	0	0	1
For a Bail Bond in Civil Actions, -	0	0	6
For a Bond to the Peace or good Behavior,	0	0	9
For serving an Execution, not exceeding Five Pounds,	0	5	0

For serving an Execution, not exceeding Twenty Pounds, Six Pence on the Pound,

For serving an Execution, not exceeding Thirty Pounds, Three Pence on the Pound.

For serving all Executions above Thirty Pounds, Two Pence on the Pound.

N. B. No Fees shall be taken for any of the less Sums, as included in the larger.

For

For all Executions ſerved One Mile or upward, from the Court-Houſe, which are iſſued in the ſame County, Three Pence a Mile.
For every Writ or Execution iſſued from another County, for the Diſtance between the Two Court-Houſes, One Penny Half Penny a Mile.

	£.		
For turning the Key on every Priſoner committed,	0	0	6
For Diſcharge of every Perſon upon Bail to the King,	0	1	0
For ſerving a Summons, not exceeding a Mile from Home,	0	0	4
If above One Mile, the ſame travelling Fees as for ſerving of Writs.	-	-	-

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S FEES.

For every Bill of Indictment, or Preſentment, drawn and found by the Grand Jury,	0	10	6
For every ditto drawn and paſſed to the Court, if not found by the Grand Jury,	0	2	0
For every Criminal executed to Death, -	1	0	0
For Diſcharge of every Perſon upon Bond to the Peace,	0	2	0
For every Day's Attendance in the Courts, -	0	3	0
For appearing and pleading for the King on an Appeal,	0	5	0

Other FEES allowed in COURT.

For Attorney's and Council's Fees. -	0	4	0
For drawing a Bill of Coſt, -	0	0	3
Every Perſon diſcharged from Bail to the King, ſhall pay the Sergeant,	0	0	3
For every Witneſs ſummoned, and attending the Court by the Day,	0	1	6
And for Travel, Three Pence a Mile. -	-	-	-
For every Action called to the Sergeant, -	0	0	2
For the Jury, to be paid down by the Plaintiff or Appellant,	0	12	0
For the Attendance of the Party recovering Judgment, by the Day,	0	0	8
For a Power of Attorney and Probate of the ſame,	0	1	0
For Travel of every Plaintiff and Defendant recovering Coſt, Two Pence a Mile.			
For annexing an Account to the Declaration or Anſwer,	0	0	2
In all Actions for the Colony Tenth and Intereſt Bonds, Half ſo much as in other Caſes, excepting to the Sheriff, for ſerving Writs and travelling Fees, the ſame as in other Actions.			

For PROBATE of WILLS, &c.

For the Probate of a Will where the Inventory exceeds not Five Pounds,	0	1	0
For every Five Pounds exceeding the aboveſaid Sum to the Town Council,	0	0	3

For

For Probate of the Inventory where no Will appears, and where the Inventory exceeds not Five Pounds, to the Town Council,	0	1	0
If above, for every Five Pounds more, -	0	0	3

TOWN-CLERK, and CLERK of the COUNCIL, their FEES.

For entering a Caveat againſt the Probate of a Will, or granting Letters of Adminiſtration,	0	0	3
For taking Bond, and granting Letters of Adminiſtration under the Seal of the Town Council,	0	1	6
For regiſtering and copying, if not exceeding One Page,	0	0	8
If above one Page, for every Page, Twenty-five Lines in a Page, and Eight Words in a Line,	0	0	7
For every Citation and Summons,	0	0	3
For a Bond, and granting Licence under the Town Council Seal,	0	1	0
For the Bond of every Perſon that comes to dwell in the Town,	0	0	6
To the Town Sergeant or Conſtable, for ſerving every Summons or Citation, if not above One Mile from Home,	0	0	3
If above One Mile from Home, for every Mile's Travel out, One Penny Half Penny.			
For recording every Marriage, -	0	0	6
For recording every Birth, -	0	0	6

NOTARY PUBLICK's FEES.

For drawing a Proteſt, ſwearing the Witneſſes, Regiſtering, &c.	0	10	

CORONER's FEES.

For taking every Inquiſition, - -	0	4	0
Beſides the above Fee, £. 0-2-0 by the Day, for his Travel and Expences for every Inquiſition by him taken.			
Each Juror by the Day, - -	0	1	6
The above Fees to be paid out of the Eſtate of the deceaſed, if any to be found; but if their ſhall be none, then the ſame is to be paid out of the Treaſury of the Town in which the dead Body is found.			

TOWN SERGEANTS and CONSTABLES, their FEES.

For ſerving every Warrant if not above One Mile from Home,	0	0	6
If above a Mile, for every Mile out, -	0	0	3
For the Copy of a Warrant, - -	0	0	4
For a Bail Bond in Civil Actions, -	0	0	6
For ſerving a Summons, the ſame as the Sheriff, -			
For attending on a Court of Juſtices by the Day, -	0	1	6

CLERK of the LOWER HOUSE, his FEES.

For attending the General Aſſembly by the Day,	0	8	0
For the Entry of every Petition, -	0	0	4
The other Fees, to the Secretary and Clerk, the ſame as the Fees of the Clerk of the Superior Court.			

WE the Subſcribers beg Leave to proteſt againſt the Act for eſtabliſhing the Fees in Lawful Money, and raiſing the Officers Fees, for the following Reaſons:

I. For it chiefly comes out of the poorer Sort of People, and as the Officers Fees were full high before.

II. For it paſſed juſt at the Riſing of the General Aſſembly, when there was but a thin Houſe.

III. Becauſe there was but a ſmall Majority of Eight, and but Forty-four Members, and a great Number of them were Judges of the ſeveral Courts, and Juſtices of the Peace, and were voting Money into their own Pockets, which in our Opinion is unjuſt.

Robert Potter,
Peter Philips,
Metcalfe Bowler,
Enoch Haſzard,
Thomas Potter, jun.
Caleb Barber,
John G. Wanton,
Preſerved Hall,
Daniel Barber,
John Maxſon, jun.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *Thomas Birket*, and *Stephen Walkly*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That they are now under Confinement in His Majeſty's Gaol in *Providence*, for Debt: And that, by Misfortunes, they are rendered Inſolvent, and unable to pay the whole of their juſt Debts. And thereupon the ſaid *Thomas Birket*, and *Stephen Walkly* prayed this Aſſembly to extend to them ſeparately, the Benefit of an Act made and paſſed in the Month of *June*, *A. D.* 1756, entituled, "An Act for the Relief of Inſolvent Debtors."

On Conſideration whereof,

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted, That the Prayer of the ſaid *Thomas Birket* and *Stephen Walkly*, in the foregoing Petition contained, be, and the ſame is hereby granted: And that the ſaid *Thomas Birket*, and *Stephen Walkly* be ſeparately admitted to take and receive the Benefit and Advantage of the ſaid Act, according to the true Intent and Meaning thereof, ſubject to the ſame Limitations and Reſtrictions with others who have been admitted to, and received the Benefit of, the aforeſaid Act.

WHEREAS Mr. *John Foſter* of *Smithfield*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That he is now under Confinement in His Majeſty's Gaol in *Providence*, for Debt: And that, by Misfortunes, he is rendered Inſolvent, and unable to pay the whole of his juſt Debts. And thereupon the ſaid *John Foſter* prayed this Aſſembly to extend to him the Benefit of an Act made and paſſed in the Month of *June*, *A. D.* 1756, entituled, "An Act for the Relief of Inſolvent Debtors."

On Conſideration whereof,

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted, That the Prayer of the ſaid *John Foſter*, in the foregoing Petition contained, be, and the ſame is hereby granted. And that the ſaid *John Foſter* be admitted to take and receive the Benefit and Advantage of the ſaid Act, according to the true Intent and Meaning thereof, ſubject to the ſame Limitations and Reſtrictions with others who have been admitted to, and received the Benefit of, the aforeſaid Act.

WHEREAS

WHEREAS Mr. *Myer Benjamin*, of *Newport*, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That by various Loſſes and Diſappointments, he is reduced very low in his Circumſtances, and become altogether unable to pay his Debts, which are conſiderable: And that the major Part of his Creditors, in Number and Value, do conſent that he ſhould have the Benefit of an Inſolvent Act, upon his delivering up the whole of his Eſtate to be divided among them. And thereupon the ſaid *Myer Benjamin* prayed this Aſſembly to paſs an Act for that Purpoſe.

On Conſideration whereof,

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted, That the Prayer of the ſaid *Myer Benjamin*, in the foregoing Petition contained, be, and the ſame is hereby granted: And that the ſaid *Myer Benjamin* be admitted to take and receive the Benefit and Advantage of an Act made and paſſed in *June A. D.* 1756, entituled, "An Act for the Relief of Inſolvent Debtors," according to the true Intent and Meaning thereof, ſubject to the ſame Limitations and Reſtrictions with others who have been admitted to, and received the Benefit of, the aforeſaid Act.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That *James Helme*, *Jeremiah Niles*, *Joſeph Ruſſell*, *Samuel Nightingale*, and *George Hazard*, Eſqrs. be, and they are hereby appointed Special Judges of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, within and for the County of *Providence*, in a Caſe pending in ſaid Court between *Benjamin Arnold* and others, Plaintiffs, and *Robert Henryes*, Tenant under *Nathaniel Greene*, Defendant: And that the ſaid *James Helme*, *Jeremiah Niles*, *Joſeph Ruſſell*, *Samuel Nightingale*, and *George Hazard*, be, and they are hereby fully empowered and authorized to hear, determine, and finiſh all and every the Matters and Things proper for the Court to do, reſpecting the ſaid Caſe, and to give Judgment therein, and award Execution thereon, in as full and ample a Manner as the Judges of the ſaid Court are empowered to do in other Caſes. And that the ſaid *James Helme*, *Jeremiah Niles*, *Joſeph Ruſſell*, *Samuel Nightingale*, and *George Hazard*, be commiſſioned by his Honor the Governor accordingly.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *Thomas Bailey*, and *Samuel Brown*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for their Attendance Five Days each upon this Aſſembly, during the preſent Seſſion: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Forty Pounds Old Tenor, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Thomas Bailey* and *Samuel Brown* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Jonathan Jeffers* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Five Days Attendance upon this Aſſembly, during the preſent Seſſion: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Twenty Pounds Old Tenor, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Jonathan Jeffers* out of the General Treaſury.

IT

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly, unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion: That the Secretary publiſh the Acts and Orders, now made and paſſed, by Beat of Drum, in the Town of *Newport*, within Ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, and within Thirty ſend Copies of the ſame to each Town-Clerk in the Colony. And that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned to the Second Monday in *June* next, then to ſit in the Town of *Newport*.

GOD Save the KING.

PUBLISHED in NEWPORT, on the Sixteenth Day of *May*, 1764,

By HENRY WARD, *Secr'y.*

A true Copy, duly examined.

WITNESS,

Henry Ward Secry

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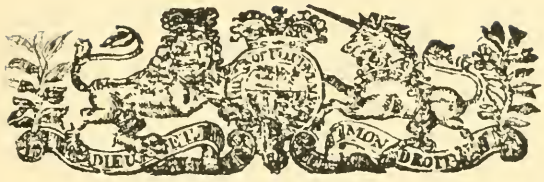

At the GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of RHODE-ISLAND, and PROVIDENCE Plantations, in *New-England*, in *America*; begun and holden by Adjournment, at *Newport*, within and for the Colony aforeſaid, on the Second Monday in *June*, in the Year of our LORD One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-four, and Fourth of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty *GEORGE* the Third, by the Grace of GOD, KING of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Honorable STEPHEN HOPKINS, Eſq;
GOVERNOR.

The Honorable JOSEPH WANTON, jun. Eſq;
DEPUTY GOVERNOR.

PELEG THURSTON, Eſq;
GIDEON CORNELL, Eſq;
NICHOLAS TILLINGHAST, Eſq;
JOHN ALMY, Eſq;
JONATHAN RANDALL, Eſq;
SAMUEL BROWNELL, jun. Eſq;
JOSEPH HAZARD, Eſq;
THOMAS CHURCH, Eſq;
} ASSISTANTS.

The SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES

DEPUTIES from the ſeveral TOWNS.

The Hon. DANIEL AYRAULT, jun. Eſq; Speaker.

NEWPORT;
Mr. *Metcalfe Bowler*,
Mr. *John Wanton*, (Son of *Gideon*)
George Hazard, Eſq;
Mr. *Benjamin Greene*,
The Speaker,
Capt. *William Read*.

PROVIDENCE;
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq;
Mr. *Moſes Brown*,
Mr. *Jacob Wightman*,
Mr. *Eſek Hopkins*.

PORTSMOUTH;
Mr. *Thomas Brownell*,
Mr. *George Brownell*,
Mr *Jonathan Cornell*.

WARWICK;
Othniel Gorton, Eſq;
Benjamin Arnold, (the third) Eſq;
John Warner, jun. Eſq;

WESTERLY;
Mr. *James Babcock*, jun.
Mr. *David Maxſon* (the Second.)

NEW-SHOREHAM;
Mr. *John Littlefield*,

NORTH-KINGSTOWN;
Mr. *William Hall* (Son of *John*)
Peter Phillips, Eſq;

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN;
Thomas Potter, jun. Eſq;
Mr. *Enoch Haſzard*.

EAST-GREENWICH;
Major *Preſerved Pierce*,
Mr. *Abial Hall*.

JAMESTOWN;
Mr. *John Gardner*,
Mr. *Oliver Martin*.

SMITHFIELD;
Mr. *Samuel Winſor*.

SCITUATE;
Job Randal, Eſq;
Jeremiah Angell, Eſq;

GLOUCESTER;
Richard Steere, Eſq;

CHARLESTOWN;
Robert Potter, Eſq;
Chriſtopher Champlin, Eſq;

WEST-GREENWICH;
Preſerved Hall, Eſq;
Job Spencer, Eſq;

COVENTRY;
John Rice, Eſq;

EXETER;
Joſeph Holway, Eſq;
Daniel Barber, Eſq;

MIDDLETOWN;
Mr. *Gideon Coggeſhall*,
Mr. *John Holmes*.

BRISTOL;
Mr. *William Bradford*,

TIVERTON;
Mr. *Job Durfey*,
Mr. *William Cooke*.

LITTLE-COMPTON;
William Hall, Eſq;
Oliver Hilyard, Eſq;

WARREN;
Major *Nathaniel Peck*,
Mr. *Cromel Child*.

CUMBERLAND;
John Dexter, Eſq;
Joſeph Davis, Eſq;

RICHMOND;
Capt. *Simeon Clarke*,
Capt. *Caleb Barber*.

CRANSTON;
Caleb Potter, Eſq;
Capt. *Richard Searle*.

HOPKINTON;
Joſhua Clarke, Eſq;
John Maxſon, Eſq;

JOHNSTON;
Thomas Owen, Eſq;
Mr. *John Waterman*, jun.

JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

WHEREAS

WHEREAS *Royall Paine*, Eſq; Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Briſtol*, now lies dangerouſly ill in *Boſton*, and left but a ſmall Number of Writs ſigned when he went away; and as this is the laſt Day of arreſting to the next Term of the ſaid Court, many Perſons will be deprived of the Benefit of the Law in ſuing for their juſt Dues, unleſs ſome Remedy be provided by this Aſſembly:

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted, That the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Briſtol*, which by Law is to be holden on the Firſt Monday in *July* next, be poſtponed until the Second Monday in the ſame Month, at which Time the ſaid Court ſhall be held: That all Buſineſs lying before the ſaid Court, or that ſhall be brought to the ſame, be then heard, conſidered, acted upon, and determined, as fully and amply, in every Reſpect, as if the ſaid Court had been held at the uſual Time appointed by Law: And that the laſt Day of arreſting, be on the Nineteenth of this Inſtant *June*.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That Mr. *Thomas Throope* be, and he is hereby appointed Clerk of the ſaid Court: And that he continue in the ſaid Office until the ſaid *Royall Paine* return to *Briſtol*, or until the next Seſſion of this Aſſembly, which ſhall firſt happen.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That this Act take Place immediately.

WHEREAS, by a Law of this Colony, every Perſon who is ſerved with a Copy of a Writ for attaching, in his or her Hands, the Eſtate of any other Perſon, is obliged to render an Account upon Oath of what Eſtate he or ſhe had in his or her Hands, at the Time of ſuch Service, before one of the Judges of the Court to which the Action is brought, which hath proved very inconvenient to Perſons who live in remote Parts of the Government.

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That, for the future, when any Perſon ſhall be ſerved for attaching, in his or her Hands, the perſonal Eſtate of any other Perſon, he or ſhe ſhall have the Liberty of making Oath before either of the Juſtices of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas of the County where he or ſhe dwells; and ſhall ſend the Oath or Engagement, ſo made, to the Clerk of the Court where the Action is brought.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That every Perſon ſerved with a Copy of a Writ, for attaching the Eſtate of another in his or her Hands, ſhall be paid all Lawful Coſts and Charges which he or ſhe ſhall be at in Conſequence of being ſerved with ſuch a Writ of Attachment, by the Perſon who brings the Action. And that ſo much of the ſaid Charge as ſhall be judged reaſonable by the Court, before whom the Cauſe is tried, ſhall be allowed in the Bill of Coſt.

WHEREAS

WHEREAS a Number of the Inhabitants of *Warwick* preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That the Bridge over the River in ſaid Town, ſituate in that Part called the Fulling Mill, is, by Floods and the continual paſſing and repaſſing of Travellers and others, rendered much out of Repair, and not paſſable with Safety: That as the Poſt Road leads over the ſame, and it is the moſt public Road in the Colony, it is highly neceſſary that a ſuitable and convenient Bridge ſhould be there erected, and kept in proper Repair: That the ſaid Town hath been at great Expence in keeping the ſaid Bridge in Repair for many Years paſt. And the ſaid Petitioners further repreſented, That the ſaid Town is burthened with heavy Expences in building and maintaining ſeveral other large Bridges in ſaid Town: And thereupon they prayed this Aſſembly to grant a Lottery for raiſing a ſufficient Sum of Money to build a good and ſuitable Bridge over the ſaid River, at the Place aforeſaid: And that Meſſrs. *Eliſha Greene*, jun. *Thomas Arnold*, and *Gideon Arnold*, may be appointed to carry on and accompliſh the ſame.

On Conſideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That the foregoing Petition be, and the ſame is hereby granted: And that the Directors be empowered to raiſe the Sum of One Hundred and Six Pounds, Lawful Money, for the Purpoſe aforeſaid; they giving Bonds to the General Treaſurer for the faithful Performance of their Truſt.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That Meſſrs. *Abraham Smith*, and *John Andrews*, be, and they are hereby appointed Directors of the Lottery granted for paving the Streets in *Providence*, in the Room of *Benoni Pearce* and *Benjamin Man*, Eſqrs. who decline ſerving.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That *Thomas Rogers*, Eſq; be, and he is hereby appointed a Director of the Lottery granted for building a Workhouſe in *Weſt-Greenwich*, in the Room of *Preſerved Hall*, Eſq; who declines ſerving.

WHEREAS Mr. *Jonathan Jeffers* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for providing and putting in Sixty-four Squares of Glaſs into the Colony Houſe in *Newport*, at Three Shillings and Five Pence, Lawful Money, *per* Square: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Ten Pounds, Eighteen Shillings, and Eight Pence, Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Jonathan Jeffers* out of the General Treaſury.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor the Governor, *Edward Scott*, *Martin Howard*, jun. and *Henry Ward*, Eſqrs. be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to reviſe all the Laws of this Colony, and put them in Order to be printed in One Volume.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby appointed and directed to call upon Col. *John Whiting* for the Money due from him to the Colony.

WHEREAS

WHEREAS *Nicholas Tillinghaſt*, and *James Angell*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *George Jackſon*, who were appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of *Allin Brown*, Eſq; late Sheriff of the County of *Providence*, laid before this Aſſembly the Accounts charged by the ſaid *Allin Brown* againſt the Colony, and alſo their Report thereon, as follows, *to wit :*

Colony of Rhode-Iſland *Dr. to* Allin Brown.

1759. To Caſh paid *Daniel Hunt*, as *per* Receipt, for Judgment of Court,	£. 15	2	2
To Caſh paid the Attorney's Fees, at the Superior and Inferior Court,	8	14	0
To my Expences to *Boſton*, Four Times,	8	10	0
To Caſh paid 13 Carters, 2½ Dollars each, for being ſhort paid,	9	15	0
To Caſh paid 2 Carters, 10 Dollars each.	6	0	0
Lawful Money of the Province of the *Maſſachuſetts-Bay*,	£. 48	1	2
To 4 Years Intereſt on the above Sum, at 6 *per Cent.*	12	12	2
	£. 60	13	4

Errors excepted,
per *Allin Brown.*

Colony of Rhode-Iſland *Dr. to* Allin Brown.

	Old Tenor.		
To my Time and Horſe-hire to *Boſton*, Four Times,	£. 140	0	0
To attending the Superior Court 52 Days, at 36*s.*	98	12	0
To attending the Inferior Court 103 Days, at 36*s.*	185	8	0
To attending the General Aſſembly 23 Days, at 70*s.*	80	10	0
To notifying the Members of Aſſembly Four Times, as *per* Warrants,	130	0	0
To Caſh paid for Candles for the Courts, at different Times,	23	18	0
To Caſh paid for Fire-wood to *Salſbury*, *Dexter*, *Clarke*, *&c.*	87	10	0
Dec. & *March* 1763 & 1764. To Caſh paid *Johnſton* and *Daniel Branch*, for cutting Wood,	6	5	0
	£. 752	3	0

The above Charge for Attendance, is for the whole Time of my being Sheriff.

Errors excepted,
per *Allin Brown.*

WE the Subſcribers being appointed by the Hon. General Aſſembly, at their Seſſion in *May* laſt, to ſettle all the Accounts between the Colony and *Allin Brown*, Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *Providence*, do report, That there appears to be due from the Colony to the ſaid *Allin Brown*, the Sum of Forty-eight Pounds, One Shilling, and Two-Pence, Lawful Money, the principal Part of which he was ordered to pay by an Act of

the General Assembly made *October*, 1759: And further, that the Sum of Seven Hundred and Fifty-two Pounds, Three Shillings, Old Tenor, is also due to the said *Allin Brown* for the Services mentioned in the foregoing Account. The Interest charged on the Lawful Money Sum, we submit to the Determination of the Hon. Assembly. Witness our Hands,

Providence, *June* 8, 1764.

Nicholas Tillinghast,
James Angell,
George Jackson,
} Committee.

And the Premises being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the foregoing Report be, and the same is hereby accepted: And that the Sum of Sixty Pounds, Thirteen Shillings, and Four-Pence, Lawful Money; and the Sum of Seven Hundred and Fifty-two Pounds Three Shillings, Old Tenor, being the Amount of the Two foregoing Accounts, be paid the said *Allin Brown*, out of the General Treasury.

Whereas *John Brown*, Esq; Sheriff of the County of *Bristol*, preferred a Petition, and represented unto this Assembly, That the Gaol in the said County is greatly out of Repair, and insufficient for the safe and secure keeping of Prisoners there confined; and that he is apprehensive of Escapes being made thro' the Badness of the Building: And therefore he prayed this Assembly to appoint some proper Person to make such Repairs as shall be convenient and necessary.

On Consideration whereof,

It is Voted and Resolved, That the said *John Brown*, and Capt. *Simeon Potter*, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to examine into the State and Condition of the said Gaol; and that they make Report to this Assembly, at the next Session, what Repairs shall appear to them necessary to be made therein.

Whereas Mr. *Benjamin Greene* laid before this Assembly the following Account, *to wit*:

Colony of Rhode-Island *to* Benjamin Greene *Dr.*

		Old Tenor.		
1761. *Nov.* 25.	To Cash paid *Yeates & Caboone*, *per* Bill, for painting the Court-House in the County of *Kent*,	£650	0	0
	To ditto paid *William Burroughs*, for 32 Feet of Joist, at 2*s.* 6*d.* - - - - - - -	3	15	0
	To the Freight of said Joist from *Newport*, -	0	5	0
1762. *May.*	To 413 Feet of clear Boards, at £. 12-10-0 *per Cent.*	51	12	0
	To Freight of ditto from *Newport*, - - -	2	16	0
1763. *Dec.*	To 2 Men, and my Team, consisting of 6 Cattle and 1 Horse, 4 Days carting Stones, to secure the Underpinning of the said Court-House, and finding said Men Diet, and the Cattle and Horse Provender said Time, and finding 19 Loads of paving Stones, - -	80	0	0

To

To my Trouble and Expences in procuring the ſaid Buſineſs to be done, - - - - - - - - - -	£. 11	11 6
	£. 800	0 0

CONTRA CREDITOR.

1761. *Sept.* 21.	By Caſh received of *Joſeph Clarke*, Eſq; General Treaſurer, by the Hands of *Rufus Spencer*, Eſq; which he received the 17th Day of *Auguſt* laſt paſt, for which I gave ſaid *Spencer* my Receipt, - - - - -	£. 800	0 0

Eaſt-Greenwich, February 27, 1764.

Errors excepted.

Benjamin Greene.

AND the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed and approved: And that the Sheriff of the County of *Kent* be, and he is hereby appointed and empowered to ſell and diſpoſe of the Boards that remain to the beſt Advantage, and appropriate the Money that ſhall ariſe from the Sale, towards paving before the Front of the ſaid Court-Houſe.

WHEREAS the Types, which were made Uſe of for printing the Lawful Money Bills, were lodged with *Nicholas Eaſton*, Eſq; who hath now brought them before this Aſſembly, and deſires to be diſcharged of them; *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid *Nicholas Eaſton* deliver the ſaid Types to the General Treaſurer, and take a Receipt for the ſame.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That Lawful Intereſt be allowed and paid to *John Bours*, and *Thomas Potter*, Eſqrs. and Capt. *George Cornell*, out of the General Treaſury, for the ſeveral Sums of Money due from the Colony to them, from the Time the ſame became due, until the ſame ſhall be paid.

WHEREAS Capt. *Joſhua Brown* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for billeting one *John Alſbro*, a Soldier in the Service of this Colony in the Year 1762: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Two Pounds, Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Joſhua Brown* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Peter Mumford* preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That the General Treaſurer, ſome Time after he was directed to draw Bills of Exchange for the *December* Money, applied to him, the Petitioner, and informed him, that the Bills went off very dull; and that the Poſſeſſors of the *December* Money were urgent to have the ſame exchanged for Silver and Gold, and requeſted him to uſe his

his beſt Endeavours to ſell the Bills in *Boſton*, which he chearfully undertook, knowing that it would not only very much oblige the Poſſeſſors of the *December* Money, but alſo be of great Benefit to the Colony, by bringing into it ſo large a Sum of Silver and Gold. That by his great Care, Trouble, and Induſtry, he ſold of the ſaid Bills to the Amount of £. 2482-16-5 Sterling, to about Eighteen or Twenty of the Merchants in *Boſton*; for which he hath received but a trifling Satisfaction, and that from but a very few of the Perſons he ſold the Bills to, the others telling him, that their Province always defrayed thoſe Charges, and that our Colony ought to do the ſame: And that he (not doubting but the Colony would make him reaſonable Satisfaction) concluded it would be better to diſpoſe of the Bills (which were much found fault with) upon the Purchaſers Terms, than not to ſell them at all: And thereupon the ſaid *Peter Mumford* prayed this Aſſembly to make him ſuch Allowance as will be an adequate Reward for the Trouble he was at, and the Riſque he run in tranſacting the ſaid Buſineſs.

On Conſideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That the Sum of Ten Pounds, Lawful Money, be allowed, and paid the ſaid *Peter Mumford* out of the General Treaſury, for his aforementioned Services.

WHEREAS ſome Officers in this Colony, and other Perſons legally empowered, have preſumed to join Perſons together in Marriage without due and lawful Publication, greatly to the Diſquiet of their Parents and Friends, and often to the utter Ruin of the Perſons themſelves.

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted, That if any Aſſiſtant, Juſtice of the Peace, or Warden, or any other Perſon or Perſons in this Colony, ſhall for the future join any Perſons together in Marriage, without due and lawful Publication, the Perſon ſo offending ſhall, upon Conviction thereof, forfeit and pay as a Fine, into the General Treaſury, the Sum of One Hundred Pounds Lawful Money, to be recovered by the General Treaſurer, in an Action of Debt, at the Inferior Court of Common Pleas in the County where the Offence ſhall be committed; and, if an Officer of this Colony, ſhall be ſuſpended from his Office, and rendered incapable, for the future, of ſuſtaining any Office in this Colony.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That *Samuel Dorrance*, Eſq; be, and he is hereby choſen and appointed a Juſtice of the Peace for the Town of *Scituate*, for the Year enſuing, in the Room of *Joſiah Bennet*, Eſq; who refuſed.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor the Deputy-Governor, Mr. *Moſes Brown*, and *Othniel Gorton*, Eſq; be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to prepare a Bill for ſinking ſuch of the Lawful Money Bills of Credit as were emitted in the Year 1759, for which no Proviſion hath been yet made.

WHEREAS ſeveral of the Inhabitants of the Town and County of *Briſtol*

Briſtol preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That the County-Houſe, in ſaid *Briſtol*, is in a ruinous and decayed Condition, and ſo open and expoſed to the Inclemencies of the Weather, that the Judges, for ſome Years paſt, have been obliged to hold the Courts in other Places, eſpecially in the Winter Seaſon: That the Foundation, Sills, Doors, *&c.* are defective and rotten; and that for want of the neceſſary Repairs, having from Time to Time been made, as Occaſion required, the ſaid Court-Houſe is at preſent quite paſt repairing: And that the other Counties in the Colony are amply provided and accommodated with handſome and convenient Court-Houſes (ſome of them noble and elegant Structures) by Means of the generous Proviſion made for that Purpoſe by the General Aſſembly. And thereupon the Petitioners prayed this Aſſembly to make Proviſion for building ſuch a County-Houſe in the ſaid Town of *Briſtol*, as will anſwer the Ends and Purpoſes of ſuch an Houſe, and in no wiſe derogate from the Publick-ſpiritedneſs of the General Aſſembly.

On Conſideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That *Thomas Church*, Eſq; and Meſſrs. *John G. Wanton*, and *Moſes Brown*, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to examine into the Circumſtances and Condition of the ſaid Court-Houſe; and that they make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion, what appears to them neceſſary to be done to the ſaid Court-Houſe.

WHEREAS the Light-Houſe on Beaver-Tail is repreſented to be much out of Repair; and that it is ſo conſtructed as not to give Light in windy ſtormy Weather, by Reaſon whereof the Shipping doth not receive any Advantage from the ſaid Light-Houſe when the ſame is moſt wanted:

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted, That Meſſrs. *Benjamin Wickham*, *Joſeph Brown*, and *John Mawdſley*, be, and they, or any Two of them, are hereby appointed a Committee, and fully empowered to repair the ſaid Light-Houſe, and make ſuch Additions, Improvements, and Alterations, in the Conſtruction thereof, as they ſhall think neceſſary: And that the Expence of the ſame ſhall be paid out of the Money raiſed by the Tax on Shipping, and for theſe Purpoſes lodged in the General Treaſury.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That *Joſeph Hazard*, *Rowland Robinſon*, and *Thomas Potter*, Eſqrs. who were appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of *Benedict Helme* Eſq; with the Colony; and to take into Conſideration the Subject Matter of his Petition, be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby continued a Committee for the ſaid Purpoſes; and that they make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That *Gideon Cornell*, Eſq; Mr. *Metcalfe Bowler*, and *George Hazard*, Eſqrs. be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of *Samuel*

Brenton, Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *Newport*, with the Colony; and that they make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee appointed at the laſt Seſſion of this Aſſembly, to audit the Accounts of *Daniel Jenckes*, Eſq; and Mr. *William Wheaton*, be, and they are hereby continued for the Purpoſe for which they were appointed: And that they make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor the Governor, *Nicholas Tillinghaſt*, *Darius Seſſions*, and *Daniel Jenckes*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *Moſes Brown*, be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to prepare an Anſwer to the Queries ſent to this Government by the Board of Trade: And that they preſent the ſame to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

WHEREAS *Joſephh Lippitt*, *Thomas Church*, *Job Randall*, and *John Barker*, Eſqrs. preſented unto this Aſſembly the following Report, *to wit:*

WE the Subſcribers, with Mr. *William Potter*, being appointed by the Hon. General Aſſembly, at their Seſſion in *Auguſt* laſt, to ſet off and bound the various Tracts of Land that heretofore have been appropropriated by the Sachems of the *Narraganſett* Tribe of *Indians* to that Tribe, for their ſole Uſe, Maintenance, and Support, *&c.* do report, That, agreeable to ſaid Appointment, we have been and viewed the ſaid Lands; and on examining ſaid *Indians*, and others, cannot find any Lands ſet off or appropriated by the Sachems to ſaid Tribe, as a Tribe: But we find various Tracts or Pieces of Land which have been ſet off to particular Perſons or Families, amounting, in the whole, to between Two and Three Thouſand Acres; which, the Sachem, ſaith, is what he meant to give and execute a Deed of to ſaid Tribe, and is ſtill willing to do it, according to his Agreement and Promiſe at ſaid General Aſſembly. But as there are large Tracts of Land, which are neither leaſed by the Sachem, nor ſet off to any of the Tribe, but ſeem to be in common, uſed when wanted, both by Sachem and Tribe, the Petitioners inſiſting on that, or Part of it, being ſet off with the Reſt.

AND whereas there is a larger Number of ſaid Tribe than the Petitioners, who ſeem utterly againſt being ſet off, but chooſe to remain with the Sachem as heretofore, and ſay the Petitioners may be ſet off by themſelves, but they are not willing to be ſet off with them; but we not having Authority to ſet off any Lands to Part of the Tribe, unleſs we could have perſwaded them to agree where and how much, ſo after ſeveral Days waiting on them, trying to get them to agree how much to ſet off, and where, but we could not, we were obliged to return, and do report as aboveſaid. All which is ſubmitted by,

Joſeph Lippitt,
Thomas Church,
Job Randall,
John Barker.

N. B. As the Lands ſet off and improved by the Tribe, or particular Perſons, are intermixed with other Lands, ſome leaſed, and others unimproved, we think, if it be ſet off from the other Lands, it muſt be ſurveyed, which is a Work of conſiderable Time.

To

To our Time, Expences, and Horſe-hire, Six Days each, at Eight Shillings, Lawful Money, *per* Day.

On Conſideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That the foregoing Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted.

WHEREAS Mr. *Gideon Fowler* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for providing Wood and other Neceſſaries, for the Court-Houſe in *King's-County*, for Caſh by him paid for repairing the ſaid Court-Houſe, for his Attendance on the General Aſſembly, *&c.* And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Two Pounds, Eleven Shillings, Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Gideon Fowler* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Samuel Hall* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, the following Account, by him charged againſt the Colony, *to wit*:

Colony of Rhode-Iſland *Dr. to* Samuel Hall.

	£.	s.	d.
1764. To 1 Ream of Paper for printing the Acts, *&c.*	0	18	0
To printing the Proceedings of the General Aſſembly at *February* Seſſion, containing 9 Sheets, at 11*s.* 7*d. per* Sheet,	5	4	3
To printing ditto at *May* Seſſion, containing 4 Sheets, at 11*s.* 7*d. per* Sheet. - - - - -	2	6	4
Lawful Money,	£. 8	8	7

AND the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Eight Pounds, Eight Shillings, and Seven Pence, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Samuel Hall* out of the General Treaſury.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby fully empowered, and directed to iſſue out Warrants of Diſtreſs againſt every Collector of Rates in this Colony, who ſhall not, by the Firſt Day of *Auguſt* next, pay into the General Treaſury the Proportion of the laſt Rate which was aſſeſſed on the Inhabitants of this Colony, and committed to him to collect: And for Want of ſufficient Eſtate, to commit the Body of ſuch delinquent Collector to Gaol.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the General Treaſurer, for the Time being, for the future, be, and he is hereby fully empowered, and directed to iſſue out a Warrant of Diſtreſs, in Manner as aforeſaid, againſt every delinquent Collector, who ſhall not pay into the General Treaſury the Proportion of every future Rate by the Time which be ſet in the Act for aſſeſſing ſuch Rate.

IT

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That *Thomas Cranſton*, *John Jepſon*, and *John Bours*, Eſqrs. be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of Doctor *Benjamin Brown* againſt the Colony; and that they make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion, what appears to them to be due from the Colony to the ſaid *Benjamin Brown*.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That *George Thomas*, Eſq; (Son of *Samuel*) be, and he is hereby choſen and appointed a Juſtice of the Peace for the Town of *North-Kingſtown*, in the Room of *Nicholas Northup*, jun. Eſq; who declines ſerving.

THE following Return from the Clerk of the Artillery Company in the Towns of *Weſterly*, *Charleſtown*, and *Hopkinton*, of the Officers choſen by the ſaid Company, *to wit*, *Joſeph Stanton*, jun. Captain; *Daniel Lewis*, Firſt Lieutenant; *Joſeph Babcock*, Second Lieutenant; and *Jeſſe Champlin*, Enſign, was read in Council, and being conſidered, is approved.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *Jonathan Jeffers*, *Samuel Brown*, and *Thomas Baley*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for cutting and ſawing of Wood, and cleanſing the Colony Houſe in *Newport*, from *June*, 1763, to *June*, 1764: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Two Pounds, Twelve Shillings, Lawful Money, being the Amouut thereof, be paid the ſaid *Jonathan Jeffers*, *Samuel Brown*, and *Thomas Baley*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *John Shearman*, who was convicted of a Capital Crime in this Colony, is now in *Boſton* Gaol, and it is expected that he will ſoon be ſent into this Colony; *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That, upon the ſaid *John Shearman*'s being brought into the County of *Newport*, that the Sheriff of the ſaid County be, and he is hereby empowered and directed to receive the ſaid *John Shearman*, and ſafely confine him in His Majeſty's Gaol in *Newport* until the next Seſſion of this Aſſembly.

WHEREAS Mr. *Jonathan Jeffers* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Attendance upon this Aſſembly, during the preſent Seſſion, Six Days: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Twenty-one Shillings, Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Jonathan Jeffers* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Thomas Baley* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Attendance upon the General Aſſembly, during the preſent Seſſion, Six Days: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be

be, and hereby is allowed ; and that Twenty-one Shillings, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Thomas Baley* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Samuel Brown* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Atttendance upon the General Aſſembly, at the preſent Seſſion, Six Days : And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed ; and that Twenty-one Shillings, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Samuel Brown* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *Samuel Chace*, Eſq; Poſtmaſter in the Town of *Providence*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for the Poſtage of a Pacquet, forwarded to *London*, by the Way of *New-York* : And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed ; and that Twenty-Eight Shillings, Sterling, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Samuel Chace* out of the General Treaſury.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That Major *Preſerved Pearce*, jun. be, and he is hereby appointed a Director of the Lottery granted for building a Pier at *Franklin*'s Ferry, in the Room of Mr. *Stephen Hazard*, jun. who declines ſerving.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion : That the Secretary publiſh the Acts and Orders, now made and paſſed, by Beat of Drum, in the Town of *Newport*, in Ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, and within Thirty ſend Copies of the ſame to the ſeveral Towns in this Colony : And that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned to the Second Monday in *September* next, then to meet in the Town of *Newport*.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

Publiſhed in Newport, *according to Order, on the 25th Day of* June, 1764.

WITNESS,

HENRY WARD, *Secr'y*.

A true Copy, duly examined.
WITNESS,

Henry Ward Secry

At the GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of RHODE-ISLAND, and PROVIDENCE Plantations, in *New-England*, in *America*; begun and holden, (in Conſequence of Warrants iſſued by his Honor the Governor) at *Newport*, within and for the Colony aforeſaid, on Monday the Thirtieth Day of *July*, in the Year of our LORD One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-four, and Fourth of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty *GEORGE* the Third, by the Grace of GOD, KING of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Honorable STEPHEN HOPKINS, Eſq;
GOVERNOR.

The Honorable JOSEPH WANTON, jun. Eſq;
DEPUTY GOVERNOR.

PELEG THURSTON, Eſq;
GIDEON CORNELL, Eſq;
NICHOLAS TILLINGHAST, Eſq;
DARIUS SESSIONS, Eſq;
JOHN ALMY, Eſq;
JOSEPH LIPPITT, Eſq;
JONATHAN RANDALL, Eſq;
SAMUEL BROWNELL, jun. Eſq;
JOSEPH HAZARD, Eſq;
THOMAS CHURCH, Eſq;
} Aſſiſtants.

The SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES

DEPUTIES from the ſeveral TOWNS.

The Hon. DANIEL AYRAULT, Eſq; Speaker.

NEWPORT;
Mr. *Metcalfe Bowler*,
Mr. *John Wanton*, (Son of *Gideon*)
George Hazard, Eſq;
Mr. *Benjamin Greene*,
The Speaker,
Capt. *William Read*.

PROVIDENCE;
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq;
Mr. *Moſes Brown*,
Mr. *Jacob Wightman*,
Mr. *Eſek Hopkins*.

PORTSMOUTH;
David Anthony, Eſq;
Mr. *Thomas Brownell*,
Mr. *George Brownell*,
Mr *Jonathan Cornell*.

WARWICK;
Philip Greene, Eſq;
Othniel Gorton, Eſq;
John Warner, jun. Eſq;

WESTERLY;
Mr. *David Maxſon* (the Second.)

NEW-SHOREHAM;
None.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN;
Mr. *William Hall* (Son of *John*)
Peter Phillips, Eſq;

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN;
Thomas Potter, jun. Eſq;
Mr. *Enoch Haſzard*.

EAST-GREENWICH;
Major *Preſerved Pierce*,
Mr. *Abial Hall*.

JAMESTOWN;
Mr. *John Gardner*,
Mr. *Oliver Martin*.

SMITHFIELD;
Capt. *Joſeph Mowrey*, jun.
Mr. *Samuel Winſor*.

SCITUATE;
Job Randal, Eſq;
Jeremiah Angell, Eſq;

GLOUCESTER;
Richard Steere, Eſq;
Silas Williams, Eſq;

CHARLESTOWN;
Robert Potter, Eſq;
Chriſtopher Champlin, Eſq;

WEST-GREENWICH;
Job Spencer, Eſq;

COVENTRY;
Obadiah Johnſon, Eſq;
John Rice, Eſq;

EXETER;
Joſeph Holway, Eſq;
Daniel Barber, Eſq;

MIDDLETOWN;
Mr. *Gideon Coggeſhall*,
Mr. *John Holmes*.

BRISTOL;
Mr. *William Bradford*,
Capt. *Simeon Potter*.

TIVERTON;
Mr. *Job Durfey*,
Mr. *William Cooke*.

LITTLE-COMPTON;
William Hall, Eſq;
Oliver Hilyard, Eſq;

WARREN;
Major *Nathaniel Peck*,
Mr. *Cromel Child*.

CUMBERLAND;
John Dexter, Eſq;
Joſeph Davis, Eſq;

RICHMOND;
Capt. *Simeon Clarke*,
Capt. *Caleb Barber*.

CRANSTON;
Caleb Potter, Eſq;
Capt. *Richard Searle*.

HOPKINTON;
Joſhua Clarke, Eſq;

JOHNSTON;
Mr. *John Waterman*, jun.

JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

BOTH

BOTH Houſes being reſolved into a Grand Committee, choſe the following Perſons to ſerve the Colony, in the Offices aſcribed to their reſpective Names, for the remaining Part of the preſent Year, *to wit :*

Immanuel Northup, Eſq; Chief (in the Room of *Stephen Haſzard*, Eſq; deceaſed)
Chriſtopher Champlin, Eſq; Second (in the Room of *Immanuel Northup*, Eſq; advanced)
Benoni Hall, Eſq; Third (in the Room of *Chriſtopher Champlin*, Eſq; advanced)
Nathan Tefft, Eſq; Fourth (in the Room of *Benoni Hall*, Eſq; advanced)
John Caſe, Eſq; Fifth (in the Room of *Nathan Tefft*, Eſq; advanced)

} Juſtice of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *King's County*.

Mr. *John Throope*, Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Briſtol*, in the Room of *Royall Paine*, Eſq; deceaſed.

Baulſton Brayton, Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *Providence*, in the Room of *Samuel Angell*, Eſq; deceaſed.

Robert Dennis, and *William Hall*, Eſqrs. Juſtices of the Peace for the Town of *Portſmouth*.

Job Bennet, jun. Eſq; Third (in the Room of *Silas Niles*, Eſq; who declines)
Stephen Potter, Eſq; Fourth (in the Room of *Job Bennet*, jun. Eſq; advanced)
Robert Hazard, Eſq; (of *South-Kingſtown*) Fifth (in the Room of *Stephen Potter*, Eſq; advanced)

} Juſtice of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize, and General Gaol Delivery, in and thro'-out the Colony.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That *Gideon Cornell*, *John Tillinghaſt*, *Job Bennet*, jun. and *Joſiah Arnold*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *Iſrael Brayton*, be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to make Enquiry what Fees are allowed to the Cuſtom-Houſe Officers in *England* ; alſo what Fees are allowed by this Colony ; and what Fees are now taken by the ſaid Officers : And that they conſider of the ſame, and make Report to this Aſſembly, at the next Seſſion, what Fees they think ought to be allowed to the ſaid Officers, in this Colony, for the future.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That Mr. *Cromel Child*, and Major *Nathaniel Peck*, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to receive from the Executors of *Royall Paine*, Eſq; late Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Seſſions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Briſtol*, and alſo of *Thomas Throope*, Eſq; who was appointed, at the laſt Seſſion, to act in the ſaid Office until the preſent Seſſion, the Books of Record, Seal, Papers, and every Thing elſe belonging to the

the ſaid Office, in their Hands, and deliver them to Mr. *John Throope*, the preſent Clerk of the ſaid Court; giving and taking Receipts for the ſame.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That Meſſrs. *Eſeck Hopkins* and *Moſes Brown*, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to receive from the Widow of *Samuel Angell*, Eſq; late Sheriff of the County of *Providence*, all the Papers in her Hands, that are of a public Nature, and belonging to the Sheriff's Office, and deliver them to *Baulſton Brayton*, Eſq; the preſent Sheriff of the ſaid County, giving and taking Receipts for the ſame.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That the Light-Money paid by the Maſters of Veſſels ſailing out of this Colony, for the Support of the Light-Houſe, be reduced as followeth, *to wit*: For every Coaſter, the Naval Officer ſhall receive One Shilling and Three Pence, Lawful Money; and for all other Veſſels, at the Rate of Two Pence, Lawful Money, *per* Ton, according to the Tonnage expreſſed in the Regiſter: And that the Secretary ſend a Copy of this Act to the Naval-Officer, upon the Riſing of this Aſſembly.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor the Governor, *Daniel Jenckes*, Eſq; and Mr. *Nicholas Brown*, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to confer and conſult with any Committee or Committees that are, or ſhall be, appointed by any of the *Britiſh* Colonies upon the Continent of *North-America*, and to agree with them upon ſuch Meaſures (either by Application to His Majeſty, or the *Britiſh* Parliament, or otherwiſe) as ſhall appear to them neceſſary and proper, to procure a Repeal of the Act of the Sixth of His late Majeſty, commonly called the Sugar Act; and alſo of the Act paſſed at the laſt Seſſion of Parliament, for levying ſeveral Duties in the Colonies, or in procuring the Duties in the ſaid laſt mentioned Act to be leſſened: Alſo to prevent the levying a Stamp Duty upon the *North-American* Colonies, now under the Conſideration of Parliament: And, generally, for the Prevention of all ſuch Taxes, Duties, or Impoſitions, that may be propoſed to be aſſeſſed upon the Coloniſts, which may be inconſiſtent with their Rights and Priviledges as *Britiſh* Subjects: And that they make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

AND it is further Voted and Reſolved, That the above named Perſons be alſo appointed a Committee to prepare an Anſwer to the Requiſition of the Lords Commiſſioners for Trade and the Plantations, reſpecting the Paper Currency of this Colony: And that they preſent the ſame to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

AND it is further Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requeſted to inform the Agent of the Steps this Aſſembly are taking, and to direct him, in the mean Time, to do every Thing in his Power, either alone, or by joining with the Agents of the other Governments, to effect the Purpoſes intended by this Aſſembly.

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IT is Voted and Reſolved, That *Thomas Cranſton*, *John Jepſon*, and *John Bours*, Eſqrs. be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to enquire whether Col. *John Whiting* hath drawn out of the General Treaſury any more Money than was due to him, and how much; and that they make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That *Daniel Ayrault*, *Gideon Cornell*, and *Job Bennet*, jun. Eſqrs. and Mr. *Thomas Robinſon*, be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of the Naval-Office, reſpecting the Light-Money: And that they make Report to this Aſſembly as ſoon as may be.

AN ACT for calling in and ſinking Seven Hundred and Sixty-five Pounds, Six Shillings, and Eight Pence, Lawful Money, being the Amount of the outſtanding Bills of Credit, emitted by this Colony in the Months of *March* and *April*, *A. D.* 1759.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby fully authorized and empowered to ſell and diſpoſe of Five Hundred and Seventy-four Pounds, Sterling Money, by drawing Bills on *Joſeph Sherwood*, Eſq; the Agent for this Colony in *Great-Britain*, payable at Twenty Days Sight, in Favour of any Perſon or Perſons who ſhall purchaſe the ſame, by bringing into the General Treaſury, ſuch Lawful Money Bills of Credit of this Colony as were emitted in *March* and *April*, *A. D.* 1759, or Gold and Silver.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to diſpoſe of the ſaid Bills at the following Rate of Exchange, *to wit*: For every Hundred Pounds, Lawful Money, he ſhall receive, he ſhall draw for Seventy-five Pounds, Sterling; and in Proportion for a greater or leſs Sum.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Form of the Bills to be drawn, be as followeth, *to wit*:

EXCHANGE for £. *Sterling.*

Newport, Rhode-Iſland, A. D. 1764.

IN Purſuance of an Act of the General Aſſembly of the Colony of Rhode-Iſland, *for Value received, at Twenty Days Sight of this my Firſt of Exchange, (Second and Third, of the ſame Tenor and Date, unpaid) pay to or Order, the Sum of Sterling, and charge the ſame to the Colony of* Rhode-Iſland, *without further Advice.* *Your humble Servant.*

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That no Bill be drawn for a leſs Sum than Twenty Pounds Sterling.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to tranſmit an atteſted Copy of

of this Act to the Agent for this Colony, as ſoon as may be : And that a Copy of the ſame be publiſhed in the *Newport* and *Providence* News-Papers, immediately after the Riſing of this Aſſembly.

WHEREAS Mr. *Jonathan Jeffers* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Attendance upon the Inferior Court in *Newport* in *May* Term laſt, and upon this Aſſembly during the preſent Seſſion : And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed ; and that Two Pounds, Nine Shillings, and Six Pence, Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Jonathan Jeffers* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Thomas Bailey* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Attendance upon the Inferior Court in *Newport*, at *May* Term laſt, and upon this Aſſembly during the preſent Seſſion . And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed ; and that Two Pounds Nine Shillings, and Six Pence, Lawful Money, the Amount thereof be paid the ſaid *Thomas Bailey*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Samuel Brown* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Attendance upon the Inferior Court in *Newport* at *May* Term laſt, and upon this Aſſembly during the preſent Seſſion : And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed ; and that Two Pounds, Nine Shillings, and Six Pence, Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Samuel Brown*, out of the General Treaſury.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs lying upon this Aſſembly, unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion : That the Secretary publiſh the Acts and Orders, now made and paſſed, by Beat of Drum, in the Town of *Newport*, in Ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly ; and within Thirty, ſend Copies of the ſame to the ſeveral Towns in this Colony : And that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is, adjourned to the Second Monday in *September* next, then to meet in the Town of *Newport*.

GOD Save the KING.

Publiſhed in Newport, *on the Thirteenth Day of* Auguſt, *One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-four, by*

HENRY WARD, *Secr'y.*

true Copy, duly examined.
WITNESS,

Henry Ward Secry

At the GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of RHODE-ISLAND, and PROVIDENCE Plantations, in *New-England*, in *America*; begun and holden, by Adjournment, at *Newport*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on the Second Monday in *September*, in the Year of our LORD One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-four, and Fourth of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty *GEORGE* the Third, by the Grace of GOD, KING of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Honorable STEPHEN HOPKINS, Eſq;
GOVERNOR.

The Honorable JOSEPH WANTON, jun. Eſq;
DEPUTY GOVERNOR

PELEG THURSTON, Eſq;
GIDEON CORNELL, Eſq;
NICHOLAS TILLINGHAST, Eſq;
JOHN ALMY, Eſq;
JONATHAN RANDALL, Eſq;
JOSEPH HAZARD, Eſq;
THOMAS CHURCH, Eſq;
} Aſſiſtants.

The SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES

DEPUTIES from the ſeveral TOWNS.

The Hon. DANIEL AYRAULT, Eſq; Speaker.

NEWPORT;
Mr. *Metcalf Bowler*,
Mr. *John Wanton*, (Son of *Gideon*)
George Hazard, Eſq;
Mr. *Benjamin Greene*,
The Speaker,
Capt. *William Read*.

PROVIDENCE;
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq;
Mr. *Moſes Brown*,
Mr. *Jacob Wightman*,

PORTSMOUTH;
David Anthony, Eſq;
Mr. *Thomas Brownell*,
Mr. *George Brownell*,
Mr *Jonathan Cornell*.

WARWICK;
Philip Greene, Eſq;
Othniel Gorton, Eſq;
Benjamin Arnold (the Third) Eſq;
John Warner, jun. Eſq;

WESTERLY;
Mr. *David Maxſon* (the Second.)

NEW-SHOREHAM;
None.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN;
Mr. *William Hall* (Son of *John*)
Mr. *Peter Phillips*.

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN;
Thomas Potter, jun. Eſq;
Mr. *Enoch Hazard*.

EAST-GREENWICH;
Major *Preſerved Pierce*,
Mr. *Abial Hall*.

JAMESTOWN;
Mr. *John Gardner*,

SMITHFIELD;
Capt. *Joſeph Mowrey*, jun.
Samuel Winſor, Eſq;

SCITUATE;
Job Randal, Eſq;
Jeremiah Angell, Eſq;

GLOUCESTER;
Richard Steere, Eſq;
Silas Williams, Eſq;

CHARLESTOWN;
Robert Potter, Eſq;
Chriſtopher Champlin, Eſq;

WEST-GREENWICH;
Preſerved Hall, Eſq;
Job Spencer, Eſq;

COVENTRY;
Obadiah Johnſon, Eſq;
John Rice, Eſq;

EXETER;
Joſeph Holway, Eſq;
Daniel Barber, Eſq;

MIDDLETOWN;
Mr. *Gideon Coggeſhall*,
Mr. *John Holmes*.

BRISTOL;
Mr. *William Bradford*,
Capt. *Simeon Potter*,

TIVERTON;
Mr. *Job Durfey*,
Mr. *William Cooke*.

LITTLE-COMPTON;
William Hall, Eſq;
Oliver Hilyard, Eſq;

WARREN;
Major *Nathaniel Peck*,
Mr. *Cromel Child*.

CUMBERLAND;
John Dexter, Eſq;
Joſeph Davis, Eſq;

RICHMOND;
Capt. *Simeon Clarke*,
Capt. *Caleb Barber*.

CRANSTON;
Caleb Potter, Eſq;
Capt. *Richard Searle*.

HOPKINTON;
Joſhua Clarke, Eſq;

JOHNSTON;
Thomas Owen, Eſq;
Mr. *John Waterman*, jun.

JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

WHEREAS

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *William Arnold*, *Amos Sprague*, and others, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That ſome of them were appointed Directors of a Lottery, granted by the General Aſſembly for raiſing a Sum of Money for rebuilding the Bridge over *Pawtucket* River, between the Towns of *Smithfield* and *Cumberland*, called and known by the Name of *Wonoſoket* Bridge: That they have drawn the ſaid Lottery in Two Claſſes, in which the Sum of Two Thouſand Pounds, Old Tenor, was raiſed for the ſaid Purpoſe: That they have advanced out of their own Stock, Three Hundred and Sixty-one Pounds, Old Tenor, over and above the Sum raiſed by ſaid Lottery: And that the ſaid Bridge is not yet compleatly repaired. And thereupon they prayed this Aſſembly to grant a Lottery to raiſe the further Sum of Two Thouſand Pounds, Old Tenor, which will reimburſe them the Money they have expended, and alſo compleat the repairing of the ſaid Bridge

On Conſideration whereof,

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted, That the foregoing Petition be, and the ſame is hereby granted: And that Meſſrs. *William Arnold*, *Amos Sprague*, *Charles Capron*, *Hezekiah Herrenden*, and *Samuel Cooke*, be continued Directors of the ſaid Lottery: And that they, or the major Part of them, be, and they are hereby fully empowered to ſet forth a Lottery for raiſing the aforeſaid Sum, in the ſame Manner, and under the ſame Regulations, as the former Lottery; they giving Bond as uſual.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee appointed at the laſt Seſſion of Aſſembly, to ſtate the Fees of the Cuſtom-Houſe Officers, be continued for that Purpoſe: That they alſo draw up a Table of Fees for the Naval Officer in this Colony: And that they make Report to this Aſſembly as ſoon as may be.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *Eſeck Hopkins* and *Moſes Brown*, preſented unto this Aſſembly the following Report, *to wit*:

To the Honorable General Aſſembly.

WE being appointed, at *July* Seſſion, a Committee to receive of the Widow of *Samuel Angell*, Eſq; late Sheriff of the County of *Providence*, all the Papers belonging to that Office, and deliver the ſame to *Baulſton Brayton*, Eſq; the preſent Sheriff; which being done, we herewith preſent your Honors a Liſt, with Mr. *Brayton*'s Receipt for the ſame: And are with Reſpect,

Your Honors'
Moſt humble Servants,
Eſeck Hopkins,
Moſes Brown.

AND

And the ſaid Report being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That the Limits of the Gaol in *King's-County* be enlarged as far Eaſtward as the Dwelling Houſe extends, Twenty Feet farther Southward than the Limits now are, and as far Weſtward as to take in the Little-Houſe and Well: And that *Joſeph Hazard*, and *Thomas Potter*, Eſqrs. be, and they are hereby appointed and empowered to mark out the ſaid Limits; and alſo to extend the Limits of the ſaid Gaol as much farther Eaſtward as they ſhall think neceſſary.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That Meſſrs. *Joſeph Waterman*, *James Olney*, and *Solomon Drown*, be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of the Directors of *Johnſton* Meeting Houſe Lottery: And that they make Report to this Aſſembly as ſoon as may be.

Whereas *Darius Seſſions*, *Jeremiah Whipple*, and *John Dexter*, Eſqrs. who were appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of Lieut. *Eliſha Ballou*, an Officer in the Service of this Colony in the Year 1756, preſented unto this Aſſembly a State of his Account, together with their Report thereon; and alſo an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, as followeth, *to wit*:

Colony of Rhode-Iſland *unto* Eliſha Ballou *Dr.*

1764, *March* 27.	To 6 Months Wages, due *Anno* 1756, at £. 60 *per* Month, - -	£. 360	0 0
	To ſundry Doctors Bills for Viſits, Attendance, and Medicines, during his Sickneſs in the above Term,	52	0 0
		£. 412	0 0

Supra - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - *Cr.*

	By One Month's Pay received of the Committee of War in *Auguſt*, 1756, - - - - - - - - -	£. 60	0 0
	Balance due to *Eliſha Ballou*, - - - - - -	352	0 0
		£. 412	0 0

Providence, March 17th, 1764.

We the Subſcribers being appointed a Committee by the Honorable the General Aſſembly, in their Seſſion at *Eaſt-Greenwich*, in *February* laſt, to audit and ſettle the Account of Lieut. *Eliſha Ballou*, with this Colony, having examined ſaid Accounts, together with the Vouchers thereto, do find a Balance in Favour of ſaid *Ballou* of Three Hundred and Fifty-two Pounds, Old Tenor, as above ſtated. *Darius Seſſions*,
Jeremiah Whipple,
John Dexter.

The

The Colony Dr.

To our Time and Charges in ſettling ſaid Accounts, £.0-12-0 L. M.

And the Premiſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be accepted: That Two Hundred Pounds, Old Tenor, of the abovementioned Balance, be paid the ſaid *Eliſha Ballou* out of the General Treaſury: That the Account of the Committee be allowed; and that Twelve Shillings, Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Darius Seſſions*, *Jeremiah Whipple*, and *John Dexter*, out of the General Treaſury.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That the Chief Juſtice of the Superior Court in this Colony be directed, and he is hereby directed to iſſue a Warrant for the Execution of *John Shearman*, now a Priſoner in Gaol, and under Sentence of Death, (and who had been reprieved by the General Aſſembly, and the Time allowed him to apply for His Majeſty's Mercy being expired) on Friday the Sixteenth Day of *November* next.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That a Tax of Twelve Thouſand Pounds, Lawful Money, be aſſeſſed and levied on the Inhabitants of this Colony: That Ten Thouſand Pounds thereof be paid in Lawful Money Bills of Credit which were emitted in *March* and *May*, A. D. 1760, for ſinking ſo much of the Bills emitted at thoſe Times: And that the other Two Thouſand Pounds be paid in any Lawful Money Bills, or Old Tenor, at Twenty-three and One Third for One, for ſupplying the General Treaſury.

I the Subſcriber beg Leave to diſſent from the above Vote for the Tax of £.12000 Lawful Money, as, in my Opinion, the Inhabitants are not able at this Time to pay ſo large a Sum, as the laſt Tax is not all collected, and the Inhabitants greatly diſtreſſed in paying the laſt Tax; and the Collectors are now ſued, and the Inhabitants have their Cattle and Sheep now taken and poſted for Sale for the laſt Tax: And, in my Opinion £.10000 Lawful Money, is as much as the Inhabitants can pay; and the £.2000 for defraying the preſent Charge of the Colony, would be an Eaſement to the Inhabitants to ſtrike off that Sum for Two Years, agreeable to Act of Parliament.

Robert Potter.

I the Subſcriber beg Leave to diſſent from the above Vote, as in my Opinion the £.2000 that is to be collected to defray the preſent Years Charge, be paid in Old Tenor, and be applied for the Payment of the Old Tenor Bonds, for which the Government pays Ten *per Cent.* and would be a great Advantage to the Inhabitants: And to ſtrike off the Sum of £.2000 for Two Years, agreeable to Act of Parliament, to defray the preſent Year's Charge.

Gideon Cornell.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That the Committee appointed at the laſt Seſſion of this Aſſembly, to write to the neighbouring Governments, and remonſtrate to the Parliament, &c. be, and they are hereby continued a Committee for the Purpoſes for which they were appointed, and with the ſame Powers as were then given them: And that the ſame Gentlemen be alſo continued a Committee to prepare a State of the Currency, and lay the ſame before this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That *Pardon Tillinghaſt*, *Benjamin Tillinghaſt*, and *Job Spencer*, Eſqrs. be, and they are hereby choſen and appointed Directors of the Lottery allowed to be ſet forth for the building a Work-Houſe in *Weſt-Greenwich*, in the Room of Mr. *Benjamin Gardner*, *Samuel Hopkins*, Eſq; and Capt. *Thomas Rogers*, who refuſe to ſerve.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That *Nicholas Cooke*, and *Eliſha Brown*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *George Jackſon*, be, and they are hereby continued a Committee to audit the Accounts of *Daniel Jenckes*, Eſq; and Mr. *William Wheaten*, relating the Court-Houſe in *Providence*: And that they make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

WHEREAS it is repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That *Charles Willard*, *Benjamin Thompſon*, and *Uriah Hawkes*, Three inliſted Soldiers in the Service of this Colony, received of the Government's Money, and deſerted; *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That *Thomas Caſey*, Eſq; late One of the Members of the Committee of War, be, and he is hereby appointed and fully empowered to recover the Money due to the Colony from the aforementioned Perſons, in ſuch Manner as he ſhall judge moſt expedient; for the Uſe of the Colony.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That the Rate of Twelve Thouſand Pounds, Lawful Money, be proportioned to each Town in the Colony, agreeable to the laſt Rate in the Year 1763, excepting that the Sum of Thirty-five Pounds, One Shilling and Five Pence, Lawful Money, which was taken off from the Town of *New-Shoreham*, be proportioned to each Town in the Colony in the ſame Proportion as this Rate is ordered to be aſſeſſed: And that an Act be drawn up in the ſame Manner as for the ſaid laſt Rate: The Two Thouſand Pounds to be paid in by the Firſt Day of *December* next; and the Ten Thouſand Pounds by the Tenth Day of *March* next.

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AN ACT for aſſeſſing upon the Inhabitants of this Colony a Rate or Tax of Twelve Thouſand Pounds, Lawful Money; Ten Thouſand Pounds thereof in the Lawful Money Bills emitted in *March* and *May*, *A. D.* 1760, to be collected, levied and brought into the General Treaſury before or upon the Tenth Day of *March* next, for ſinking ſo much of thoſe Emiſſions; and the other Two Thouſand Pounds in the ſame, or any other Lawful Money Bills, or in Old Tenor, at the Rate of Twenty-three and One Third for One, to be appropriated towards paying the Colony's Debts, and defraying the incident Charges of Government, to be collected and paid into the General Treaſury by the Firſt Day of *December* next.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted, That a Rate or Tax of Twelve Thouſand Pounds, Lawful Money, be aſſeſſed upon the Inhabitants of this Colony, Ten Thouſand Pounds thereof in the Lawful Money Bills emitted in *March* and *May*, *A. D.* 1760, to be collected, levied, and brought into the General Treaſury before or upon the Tenth Day of *March* next, for ſinking ſo much of thoſe Emiſſions: And the other Two Thouſand Pounds in the ſame, or any other Lawful Money Bills, or in Old Tenor, at the Rate of Twenty-three and One Third for One, to be appropriated towards paying the Colony's Debts, and defraying the incident Charges of Government, to be collected and paid into the General Treaſury by the Firſt Day of *December* next.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Intereſt of ſaid Bills be reckoned 'till the Time they are to be collected and paid into the General Treaſury, and no longer.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the ſaid Rate or Tax ſhall be, and the ſame is hereby proportioned unto and upon the ſeveral Towns as followeth, *to wit:*

The Town of	£.		
Newport ſhall pay	£. 2390	4	7
Portſmouth	442	0	10
New-Shoreham	124	8	11
Jameſtown	233	9	7
Middletown	348	2	4
Tiverton	390	5	9
Little-Compton	363	12	3
	£. 4292	4	3

The Town of	£.		
Weſterly ſhall pay	£. 352	15	7
North-Kingſtown	472	1	7
South-Kingſtown	1009	15	0
Charleſtown	282	6	6
Exeter	319	16	8
Richmond	186	12	11
Hopkinton	319	6	8
	£. 2942	14	11

The

The Town of *Providence* ſhall pay	£.766	10	9
Smithfield	590	4	6
Scituate	438	9	7
Glouceſter	324	8	11
Cumberland	250	6	8
Cranſton	471	14	7
Johnſton	181	3	11
	£.3022	18	11

The Town of *Briſtol* ſhall pay	£.261	15	4
Warren	260	15	4
	£.522	10	8

The Town of *Warwick* ſhall pay	£.541	7	8
Eaſt-Greenwich	279	3	1
Weſt-Greenwich	199	0	11
Coventry	199	19	7
	£.1219	11	3

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Aſſeſſors or Ratemakers ſhall aſſeſs or apportion the aforeſaid Rate or Tax, and return a true Bill or Liſt of the ſame unto the Clerk of the Town to which they reſpectively belong, within Forty Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly; and the ſaid Town-Clerk is directed, and hereby required to ſend a Copy thereof in Four Days, from the Time of his receiving the ſame, to the General Treaſurer, who is hereby required and directed to iſſue his Warrant within Three Days to the ſeveral Collectors of Rates or Taxes of the reſpective Towns, requiring them, in the King's Name, to collect, levy, and pay unto the General Treaſurer, for the Time being, the ſeveral Sums unto them reſpectively committed to collect.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That each reſpective Town ſhall pay all the Charges and Fees that ſhall accrue or ariſe in or upon the aſſeſſing, collecting, and levying its Part of the aforeſaid Rate or Tax.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Secretary be directed, and he is hereby required to ſend a Copy of the ſame to every Town-Clerk in the Colony, within Ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, to be by the ſaid Town-Clerk immediately delivered unto the Aſſeſſors or Ratemakers of his Town: And the reſpective Collectors of the ſaid Rate or Tax, are hereby required to uſe all Diligence in collecting and paying the ſame unto the General Treaſurer before or at the Times in this Act limited.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That the Colony's Cloathing, now in the Hands of the General Treaſurer, be ſold either at private Sale, or at Vendue, as he may think beſt.

WHEREAS *Gideon Cornell*, Eſq; Mr. *Metcalf Bowler*, and *George Hazard*, Eſq; who were appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of

of *Samuel Brenton*, Esq; Sheriff of the County of *Newport*, presented unto this Assembly the Accounts of the said *Samuel Brenton*, and their Report thereon, as followeth; *to-wit*:

Colony of Rhode-Island *to* Samuel Brenton, *Dr.*

To *James Rogers*'s Account for repairing the Gaol, -	£. 192	10	0
To *William Rude's* Account for ditto, - - - - - -	227	10	0
To *Thomas Rogers*'s Account for ditto, - - - - - -	341	11	0
To *John Thurston*'s Account for ditto, - - - - - -	119	0	0
To *William Sanford*'s Account for ditto, - - - - - -	29	11	6
To *Cornelius Dillingham*'s Account for ditto, - -	74	13	3
To *Thomas King*'s Account for ditto, - - -	56	0	0
To *Cornelius Dillingham*'s Account for ditto, - - - - -	16	0	0
To *Thomas King*'s Account for ditto, - - - - - - -	38	10	0
To *Thomas King*'s Account for ditto, - - - - - - -	48	0	0
To *Jeremiah Hall*'s Account for ditto, - - - - - - -	38	10	0
To *Jeremiah Hall*'s Account for ditto, - - - - - -	52	0	0
To *Matthew Borden*'s Account for ditto, - - - - - -	93	9	0
To *Thomas Hiscok*'s Account for ditto, - - - - - -	24	10	0
To *James Clark*'s Account for ditto, - - - - - - -	54	0	0
To *Thomas Jones*'s Bill for ditto, - - - - - - - -	196	0	0
To *Israel Cafwell*'s Bill for ditto, - - - - - - - -	180	0	0
To *William Gyles*'s Bill for ditto, - - - - - - - -	631	19	0
To *Philip Wanton*'s Bill for ditto, for Carting, - - -	26	0	0
To *Stephen Ayrault*'s Bill for Nails, *&c.* - - - - -	185	1	0
To *Jonathan Easton*'s Bill for Sand, - - - - - - -	42	0	0
To *Joshua Almy*'s Bill for Boards, - - - - - - - -	207	3	0
To *Thomas King*, cleaning Bricks and carrying of the Stuff,	48	0	0
To 2 Thousand Board Nails, - - at £. 19 - - -	38	0	0
To 1 Thousand Shingle Nails, - - - - - - - - -	9	0	0
To 12 Gallons of *West-India* Rum, - at £. 6 - - -	72	0	0
To Sugar for the Masons and Carpenters, - - - -	2	0	0
To 1 Pound Candles used in the Drain, - - - - - - -	1	0	0
To Cash for trucking Lime, - - - - - - - - - -	2	0	0
To ½ C. Nails, 25*s.* Brush for plaistering, 20*s.* - - - -	2	5	0
To 2 C. Double Tenns at 50*s.* 2 C. Board Nails at 45*s.* 2 C. Clapboard Nails at 25*s.* - - -	12	0	0
To 10 C. Nails at 35*s.* 3 C. Nails at 25*s.* - - - -	20	5	0
To 2 C. Double Tenns at 50*s.* for Hair for plaistering 30*s.*	6	10	0
To William Gibbs for carting Timber, - - - - - -	3	0	0
To my Time and Trouble for attending upon the above Repairs, NOTHING.			
	£. 3089	17	9

Colony of Rhode-Island - - *Cr.*

By old Iron sold *Cornelius Dillingham*, - - - - -	£. 28	11	5
Ballance to *Samuel Brenton*, carried to - - - an Account Current - - - - - - - - -	3061	6	4
	£. 3089	17	9

Colony of Rhode-Iſland *to* Samuel Brenton, *Dr.*

To ½ Cord Wood, - - - - - - - - - - - -	£.	11	0 0
To ½ Cord Wood, - - - - - - - - - - - -	£.	11	0 0
To 3 Pair Blankets for the Priſoners at £. 20. *per* Pair, -		60	0 0
To Caſh paid for Sand, - - - - - - - - - - - -		6	0 0
To Caſh paid *Robert Lillibridge*, his Expences to warn Judge *Niles*. - - - - - - - -		30	0 0
	£.	118	0 0

Dr. The Colony of Rhode-Iſland *in Account Current with* Samuel Brenton,

To Balance due on the Gaol Account, as above,	£.	3016	6 4
To the Colony's Account above - - - - - - - -		118	0 0
	£.	3179	6 4

CREDITOR.

By an Account of *Thomas King*'s, twice charged,	£.	48	0 0
By neat Proceeds of the Sales of *John Sheridan* and *John McClean*, ſold *per* Order of the Inferior Court, after paying the King's Attorney's Charge of £. 54-17-4		27	2 8
Balance due to *Samuel Brenton*, - - - - -		3104	3 8
Newport, *June* 13, 1764. Errors and Omiſſions excepted, per *Samuel Brenton*, Sheriff.	£.	3179	6 4

Newport, *Sept.* 14th. 1764.

WE the Subſcribers being appointed by the General Aſſembly, at their Seſſion in *June* laſt, to audit the foregoing Accounts of *Samuel Brenton*, Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *Newport*, do report, That we have carefully examined the ſame, and do find, from good Vouchers, the Balance of Three Thouſand, One Hundred and Four Pounds, Three Shillings and Eight Pence, due to him thereon: Which we ſubmit to the Hon. General Aſſembly; and are their

Moſt humble Servants,

To our Time and Trouble in ſettling the foregoing Account, the Government is Welcome.

Gideon Cornell,
Metcalf Bowler,
George Hazard.

AND the Premiſſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be accepted: And that the Balance therein mentioned, being Three Thouſand, One Hundred and Four Pounds, Three Shillings and Eight Pence, Old Tenor, be paid the ſaid *Samuel Brenton* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS

WHEREAS Mr. *George Lawton*, Keeper of His Majeſty's Gaol in the County of *Newport*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for the Maintenance and Priſon Fees of ſeveral poor Priſoners committed at the King's Suit: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed, and that Two Hundred and Thirty-two Pounds, Two Shillings, Old Tenor, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *George Lawton* out of the General Treaſury.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requeſted to write to the Colony's Agent in *Great-Britain*, and deſire him to procure, from the Lords of the Admiralty, Twenty-four *Mediterranean* Paſſes, to be lodged with the Governor, for the Uſe of thoſe who may apply, they paying for the ſame as cuſtomary.

WHEREAS Mr. *Silas Downer* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for making fair Copies of Letters, *&c. &c.* by Order of his Honor the Governor: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Three Pounds, Fifteen Shillings and Two Pence, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Silas Downer* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *Gideon Cornell*, *John Tillinghaſt*, and *Job Bennet*, jun. Eſqrs. and Mr. *Iſrael Brayton*, who were appointed a Committee to ſtate the Fees of the Cuſtom-Houſe Officers and the Naval Officer in this Colony, made Report unto this Aſſembly, and preſented a Table of Fees for the Cuſtom-Houſe Officers and the Naval Officer: Which being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted: Saving that the Collector's Fees be raiſed equal to the Naval-Officer's.

AND it is further Voted and Reſolved, That the AttorneyGeneral prepare a Bill accordingly, and preſent the ſame to this Aſſembly as ſoon as may be.

I THE Subſcriber beg Leave to diſſent from the Vote for raiſing the Collector's Fees equal to thoſe of the Naval Officer, as now ſtated by the Committee appointed for that Purpoſe, for the following Reaſons:

1. BECAUSE that the Fees already ſtated, are as high, or higher than thoſe cuſtomary in *Great-Britain*, as ſtated by the Houſe of Commons.

2. BECAUSE the Fees, ſtated by the Committee, for the Naval-Officer, are too high, unequal, and unjuſt, and ought not by any Means to be higher than thoſe of the Cuſtom-Houſe Officers.

Metcalf Bowler.

WE the Subſcribers beg Leave to proteſt againſt this Report being paſſed into a Law, for the following Reaſons:

1. THIS Aſſembly ought to ſhew the ſame Reſpect to the Gentlemen Officers of the Cuſtoms, complained of in the Petition of a Number

Number of Gentlemen of this Colony, as to all other Perſons petitioned againſt, which, in our humble Opinion, they have not, by voting that the Collector ſhould not be notified to appear before the Report was voted.

2. THAT ſome of the Fees, as ſtated by this Report, is too low.

Daniel Jenckes,
Moſes Brown

WHEREAS Mr. *Jonathan Jeffers* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony for Attendance upon the Superior Court at *September* Term, and alſo upon this Aſſembly during the preſent Seſſion: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that One Pound, Eighteen Shillings and Six Pence, Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Jonathan Jeffers* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Thomas Bayly* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony for Attendance upon the Superior Court at *September* Term, and alſo upon this Aſſembly during the preſent Seſſion: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that One Pound, Eighteen Shillings and Six Pence, Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Thomas Bayly* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Samuel Brown* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Attendance upon the Superior Court at *September* Term, and alſo upon this Aſſembly during the preſent Seſſion: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, that the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that One Pound, Eighteen Shillings and Six Pence, Lawful Money, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Samuel Brown* out of the General Treaſury.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly, unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred to the next Seſſion: That the Secretary publiſh the Acts and Orders, now made and paſſed, by Beat of Drum, in *Newport*, within Ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, and within Thirty ſend Copies of the ſame to each Town-Clerk in the Colony: And that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned to the laſt Monday in *October* next, if then called by either of their Honors the Governor or Deputy Governor; but if not called at, nor before the ſaid Day, then that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is diſſolved.

GOD Save the KING.

PUBLISHED according to Order, in Newport, *the Twenty-fourth Day of* September, *One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-four.*

By HENRY WARD, *Secr'y.*

A true Copy, duly examined.
WITNESS,

Henry Ward Secry

At the GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of RHODE-ISLAND, and PROVIDENCE Plantations, in *New-England*, in *America*; begun and holden at *Providence*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on the laſt Wedneſday in *October*, in the Year of our LORD One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-four, and Fifth of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty *GEORGE* the Third, by the Grace of GOD, KING of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Honorable STEPHEN HOPKINS, Eſq;
GOVERNOR.

The Honorable JOSEPH WANTON, jun. Eſq;
DEPUTY GOVERNOR.

PELEG THURSTON, Eſq;
GIDEON CORNELL, Eſq;
NICHOLAS TILLINGHAST, Eſq;
DARIUS SESSIONS, Eſq;
JOSEPH LIPPITT, Eſq;
JONATHAN RANDALL, Eſq;
JOSEPH HAZARD, Eſq;
THOMAS CHURCH, Eſq;
} ASSISTANTS.

The SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES

DEPUTIES from the ſeveral TOWNS.

NEWPORT;
Mr. *Metcalf Bowler*,
George Hazard, Eſq;
Mr. *Benjamin Greene*,
Capt. *Samuel Carr*,
Capt. *William Read*:

PROVIDENCE;
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq;
Mr. *Moſes Brown*,
Mr. *Jacob Wightman*,
John Cole, Eſq;

PORTSMOUTH;
David Anthony, Eſq;

WARWICK;
Philip Greene, Eſq;
Othniel Gorton, Eſq;
Col. *James Arnold*, jun.
Capt. *Randal Rice*.

WESTERLY;
Joſhua Babcock, Eſq;
Mr. *David Maxſon*.

NEW-SHOREHAM;
None.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN;
Mr. *William Hall* (Son of *John*)
Mr. *Peter Phillips*.

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN;
Benjamin Peckham, Eſq;
Mr. *George Hazard*.

EAST-GREENWICH;
Major *Preſerved Pierce*,

JAMESTOWN;
Mr. *John Gardner*,

SMITHFIELD;
David Comſtock, Eſq;
Samuel Winſor, Eſq;

SCITUATE;
Job Randal, Eſq;
Jeremiah Angell, Eſq;

GLOUCESTER;
Capt. *Iſrael Arnold*,
Mr. *Stephen Steere*.

CHARLESTOWN;
Robert Potter, Eſq;
Gideon Hoxſie, Eſq;

WEST-GREENWICH;
Preſerved Hall, Eſq;
Job Spencer, Eſq;

COVENTRY;
Obadiah Johnſon, Eſq;
John Rice, Eſq;

EXETER;
Daniel Barber, Eſq;
Capt. *Thomas Wilcox*.

MIDDLETOWN;
Mr. *Joſeph Rider*,
Mr. *Samuel Baley*.

BRISTOL;
Mr. *William Bradford*.

TIVERTON;
Mr. *Job Durfey*,
Mr. *William Cooke*.

LITTLE-COMPTON;
William Hall, Eſq;
Capt. *Thomas Brownell*.

WARREN;
Major *Nathaniel Peck*,
Mr. *Cromel Child*.

CUMBERLAND;
John Dexter, Eſq;
Joſeph Davis, Eſq;

RICHMOND;
Capt. *Simeon Clarke*,
Capt. *Caleb Barber*.

CRANSTON;
William Burton, Eſq;
Capt. *Iſrael Gorton*.

HOPKINTON:
Joſhua Clarke, Eſq;
John Maxſon, Eſq;

JOHNSTON;
Lieut. Col. *Joſiah Thornton*,
Abraham Belknap, Eſq;

WILLIAM BRADFORD, Eſq; was choſen Speaker, and

JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

IT

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That *James Angell*, Eſq; Mr. *Benjamin Greene*, and *Othniel Gorton*, Eſq; be, and they, or the major Part of them are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the ſeveral Accounts of Charges which have ariſen by Means of appointing Perſons to prevent the Small-Pox from being brought into this Colony: And that they make Report to this Aſſembly at the preſent Seſſion.

WHEREAS *Thomas Parr*, and *Daniel Billington*, preferred a Petition and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That they inliſted themſelves into the Service of the Colony in the Year 1760, in the Company commanded by Capt. *Roſe*, and there faithfully did their Duty, until they were lawfully diſcharged: That they have not yet been paid the whole of their Wages, but that there ſtill remains due to the ſaid *Thomas Parr*, the Sum of Seven Pounds, Seven Shillings and Seven Pence, Three Farthings, Lawful Money; and to the ſaid *Daniel Billington*, the Sum of Two Pounds, Nine Shillings and Two Pence, Lawful Money: And thereupon they prayed this Aſſembly to order the ſaid Sums to be paid them, with Intereſt, out of the General Treaſury: And it appearing to this Aſſembly, that the ſaid Sums are juſtly due, *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the Sum of Seven Pounds, Seven Shillings and Seven Pence, Three Farthings, Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Thomas Parr*; and the Sum of Two Pounds, Nine Shillings and Two Pence, Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Daniel Billington*, out of the General Treaſury, with Intereſt at Five *per Cent*.

WHEREAS Mr. *Samuel Hall* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for printing the Proceedings of the General Aſſembly at *June*, *July*, and *September* Seſſions; for printing the Rate-Bill, furniſhing Paper, *&c.* And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Six Pounds, Eight Shillings and Three Pence, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Samuel Hall* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *Green* and *Ruſſell*, of *Boſton*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for inſerting an Act of Aſſembly, relating the Small-Pox, in their News-Paper: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Twenty Shillings, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Green* and *Ruſſell* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *Edes* and *Gill*, of *Boſton*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for inſerting an Act of Aſſembly, relating the Small-Pox, in their News-Paper: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Twenty Shillings, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Edes* and *Gill* out of the General Treaſury.

IT

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That *Nicholas Tillinghaſt*, *John Cole*, and *John Dexter*, Eſqrs. be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to prepare a Bill for regulating the receiving Petitions, and for hearing and granting, or rejecting them, *&c.* by a Committee, and that they preſent the ſame to this Aſſembly as ſoon as may be.

WHEREAS there is now in His Majeſty's Gaol in *Providence*, one *Friday Stelle*, alias *Joſiah Tabor*, who was convicted of paſſing counterfeit Dollars, and hath been puniſhed according to the Sentence paſſed againſt him, and now lies in Gaol for his Priſon Charges, which he is unable to pay: *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid *Friday Stelle*, alias *Joſiah Tabor*, be releaſed from Gaol; provided he leaves the Colony forthwith; and that if he ſhall be found in the Colony within Three Years, he ſhall be taken up and whipped.

WHEREAS *John Jepſon* and *John Bours*, Eſqrs. preſented unto this Aſſembly the following Report, *to wit*:

Newport, *October 25th*, 1764.

WE the Subſcribers being appointed a Committee, by the Hon. General Aſſembly, to audit the Accounts of Doctor *Benjamin Brown*, with the Colony, do report, That we have examined the ſame, and are of Opinion that he ought not to be allowed any more Wages *per* Month than he has already been allowed and paid by the late Committee of War; it appearing to us, that the Sum allowed him by ſaid Committee, is adequate to his Services. We are further of Opinion, that upon Capt. *George Cornell*'s certifying upon Oath, that the Hoſpital Stores, taken up by ſaid *Brown*, of Mr. *John Farrel*, amounting to £. 75-6-0 *New-York* Currency, and for which Sum he drew an Order in Favour of ſaid *Farrel* on the Committee of War, were actually procured for, and made uſe of, by the Sick of his Company; that in ſuch Caſe, the ſaid Order be allowed and paid to the ſaid *Farrel* or his Attorney.

To the Hon. General Aſſembly. *John Jepſon*, *John Bours*, } Commit.

AND the ſaid Report being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted.

AND whereas Capt. *George Cornell* did make Oath in the Manner mentioned in the foregoing Report: *It is further Voted and Reſolved*, That the Sum of Seventy-five Pounds and Six Shillings *New-York* Currency, therein mentioned, be paid to the ſaid *John Farrel*, or his Attorney, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS the Committee appointed to prepare a State of the Paper Currency of this Colony, in Anſwer to the Requiſition of the Lords Commiſſioners for Trade and the Plantations, preſented unto this Aſſembly the following State of the ſame, *to wit*:

A State

A State of the Paper Bills of Credit, iſſued ſince the Year 1749, by the Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, drawn up in Obedience to an Order of the Lords Commiſſioners of Trade and Plantations, dated at *Whitehall* the 11th of *May*, 1764.

IN the Month of *March*, 1750, there were iſſued by ſaid Colony Twenty-five Thouſand Pounds in Bills, equal in Value to about Eighteen Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty Pounds Sterling. Theſe Bills were let out upon Loan for Ten Years, at Five *per Cent.* Intereſt, and then to be paid in at Five equal annual Payments; the whole of which Sums is near expiring. Theſe Bills having depreciated, are now of two Fifths of the Value they were at when emitted. All the outſtanding Bills, emitted before the Year 1750, called Old Tenor, are drawing near their Periods, and will terminate in a ſhort Time.

IN the Year 1755, for paying the Expence incurred by the Colony in carrying on the Expedition againſt *Crown-Point*, there were iſſued Bills equal to Thirteen Thouſand Five Hundred Pounds Sterling, to circulate Two Years, without Intereſt, and then to be called in and ſunk, which was performed punctually within the Time limited.

IN the Year 1756, for paying the Expences incurred by the Colony in the Second Expedition againſt *Crown-Point*, there were iſſued Bills equal in Value to Ten Thouſand Five Hundred Pounds Sterling, like thoſe of the laſt Year, to circulate Two Years, without Intereſt, and then to be called in and ſunk, which was fully done within the Time limited.

The War ſtill continuing, and the Colony being called upon for larger Quota's of Men than it had hitherto raiſed, perceived that Bills muſt of Neceſſity be iſſued for a longer Period than Two Years, otherwiſe it would be unable to preſerve their Credit by a punctual Payment at the Time promiſed. Accordingly in the Year 1758 the Colony iſſued Bills, agreeable, as it ſuppoſed, to One of the Proviſoes contained in the Act of Parliament, paſſed in the Twenty-fourth Year of the Reign of His late Majeſty King *George* the Second, entituled, "An Act to "regulate and reſtrain Paper Bills of Credit in His Majeſty's Colonies "or Plantations of *Rhode-Iſland*, and *Providence* Plantations, *Connecti-* "*cut*, the *Maſſachuſetts-Bay*, and *New-Hampſhire*, in *America*; and to "prevent the ſame being legal Tenders in Payment of Money." Which Bills were to circulate for Five Years, and carry an Intereſt of Five *per Centum per Annum*. Twenty Thouſand, Nine Hundred and Nine Pounds, was this Year iſſued, agreeing in Value to the Proclamation of the Tenth of Queen *Anne*, and to Fifteen Thouſand, Six Hundred and Eighty-one Pounds, Fifteen Shillings, Sterling. Theſe Bills were wholly called in and burnt within the Time. But as all the Paper Bills that have been emitted by the Colony ſince the Year 1758 have been in exact Conformity, in every Reſpect, to thoſe emitted at that Time, we here ſubjoin a Copy of the Act of Aſſembly by which Part of the ſaid Bills were created and iſſued, as a Specimen of all the emitting Acts ſince that Time.

" An ACT for emitting, in Bills of Credit, a Sum not exceeding
" Ten Thouſand Pounds Lawful Money.

" *WHEREAS the General Aſſembly of this Colony, at their*
" *Seſſion in* South-Kingſtown, *on Monday the Thirteenth of*
" March *laſt, in Obedience to His Majeſty's Commands, ſignified by One*
" *of His Principal Secretaries of State, paſſed* " *An Act for raiſing*
" " *and paying One Thouſand able-bodied, effective Men, for the enſuing*
" " *Campaign, againſt His Majeſty's Enemies in* North-America." *And*
" *in order to ſupply the General Treaſury, for carrying the Intentions of*
" *the Act aforeſaid into Execution, the Aſſembly then directed the Trea-*
" *ſurer to hire as much Money as would be needful for that Purpoſe ; but*
" *the Treaſurer having found it altogether impracticable to hire ſufficient*
" *Sums of Money for the Ends aforeſaid ; and it being of the utmoſt*
" *Neceſſity and Importance that the Treaſury ſhould be ſufficiently ſupplied*
" *on this extraordinary Occaſion :*

" Therefore, *Be it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the*
" *Authority of the ſame, It is Enacted*, That Bills of Credit be forth-
" with impreſſed from Types, and ſigned by the Perſons herein after-
" named, to a Value not exceeding Ten Thouſand Pounds Lawful
" Money, eſteeming Silver at and after the Rate of Six Shillings and
" Nine Pence *per* Ounce, and Gold at it's proportionate Value : That
" the ſaid Bills ſhall carry an Intereſt of Five *per Cent. per Annum* to
" the Poſſeſſor, and ſhall paſs with the Intereſt added to them in all
" Payments in which thoſe Bills are a lawful Tender. The Bills ſo
" emitted ſhall be of the Denomination of Thirty Shillings, Twenty
" Shillings, Ten Shillings, Five Shillings, Two Shillings, One Shilling,
" and of Six Pence ; and an equal Number of Bills ſhall be made of
" each Denomination ; and the Bills ſhall be of the following Form.

" The Poſſeſſor of this Bill ſhall be paid by the Treaſurer of the
" Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, Thirty Shillings Lawful Money, at the
" Rate of Six Shillings and Nine Pence for One Ounce of Silver,
" with Intereſt at Five *per Cent. per Annum*, within Five Years
" from the Date hereof. By Order of Aſſembly, the 8th Day of
" *May*, 1758.

" And thoſe Bills, as ſoon as made, ſhall be put into the General
" Treaſury, for the Uſe and Purpoſes above-mentioned ; and ſhall be
" received from thence, for paying the Expences of the preſent, or any
" other Expedition, at the Value aforeſaid : And that One milled Dol-
" lar ſhall at all Times hereafter be taken in Lieu of Six Shillings of
" thoſe Bills : And the Bills, ſo to be made, ſhall be cauſed to be
" printed, with ſuch Devices on the Backs and Borders as ſhall be
" thought fit, and ſigned and put into the Treaſury, by *Jabez Bowen*,
" *Jeremiah Lippitt*, *Joſhua Babcock*, *Benjamin Nichols*, and *Joſeph*
" *Clarke*, Eſqrs. or any Three of them.

" AND for the calling in and redeeming the Bills to be emitted in
" Conſequence

" Conſequence of this Act, *Be it further Enacted*, That a Rate or " Rates be aſſeſſed on the Inhabitants of this Colony, in ſuch Time " that it may be collected and brought into the Treaſury in due Seaſon " to redeem the whole of the ſaid Bills, together with the Intereſt ari- " ſing upon the ſame, within Five Years from the Day of their Dates: " And that the whole of the Rate or Rates to be made for that Pur- " poſe, ſhall be made in the ſame Bills, now ordered to be emitted, " or in Silver at the Rate of Six Shillings and Nine Pence for every " Ounce, or in Gold at a proportionable Value, or in milled Dollars at " the Rate aforeſaid. And the Gold and Silver by thoſe Means drawn " into the Treaſury, ſhall be immediately applied to redeem the out- " ſtanding Bills to be by this Act emitted."

In the Year 1759, for defraying the Expence of the Men raiſed for His Majeſty's Service in the ſame Year, the Colony iſſued Twenty Thouſand Pounds in Bills of the ſame Tenor, and of equal Value with thoſe emitted the Year before: And theſe Bills have been wholly called in and burnt.

In the Year 1760, for the ſame Purpoſe the Colony iſſued Twenty-ſeven Thouſand Pounds in Bills in the ſame Manner. Theſe Bills are redeemable within the next Year from this Time, and Proviſion is already made for bringing in Ten Thouſand Pounds thereof, including Intereſt, but the Colony is not able to ſink the Remainder by the Time it ought to be ſunk, any otherwiſe than by taking up Money upon Loan for redeeming the Bills.

Lastly, in the Year 1762, for the carrying on the War the Colony iſſued Thirteen Thouſand Pounds in Bills in the ſame Manner, which will be redeemable in the Year 1767.

The whole of the Bills emitted on this Plan, have at all Times fully kept their Value, their only Defect ſeeming to be that they carry too high an Intereſt, which occaſions their being hoarded, and thereby not anſwering the End of a Medium.

By this State it appears that there are now circulating in this Colony, in Bills iſſued for carrying on the War, Forty Thouſand Pounds, equal to Thirty Thouſand Pounds Sterling, about Two Thirds of which Sum muſt be called in and ſunk in a Year; after which Thirteen Thouſand Pounds only of the Bills iſſued for the Expence of the War will be circulating: Theſe, together with the ſmall Remainder of Old Tenor Bills that will be outſtanding, will come to a final End in the Year 1767.

Besides the Bills emitted as aforeſaid, this Colony is largely in Debt for Money hired of private Perſons, during the Courſe of the War: And this Debt is the greater becauſe it has received nothing for its Expences incurred in Support of the War in the Year 1756, which was reimburſed the other Colonies by Parliament.

In a Colony where the conſtant Demand for Remittances to the Mother Country makes it impoſſible for Silver and Gold to continue, what will be the Medium and Inſtrument of Commerce, when Paper Bills are at an End, we know not.

This

THIS is a true State of the Paper Bills of Credit in the Colony of *Rhode-Iſland*, and is humbly ſubmitted to Your Lordſhips Conſideration by the Governor and Company thereof.

Rhode-Iſland, October 30, 1764.

AND the foregoing State of the Paper Bills of this Colony being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is approved: And that his Honor the Governor be requeſted to ſign and tranſmit Two Copies of the ſame to the Lords Commiſſioners for Trade and the Plantations, by the firſt Opportunities.

WHEREAS *Nicholas Cooke*, and *Eliſha Brown*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *George Jackſon*, who were appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of *Daniel Jenckes*, Eſq; and Mr. *William Wheaton*, reſpecting the Court-Houſe in *Providence*, preſented unto this Aſſembly a State of the Account of the ſaid *Daniel Jenckes*, and alſo their Report thereon, as follows, *to wit:*

Dr. Colony of Rhode-Iſland *to* Daniel Jenckes.

		Law. Money.
1764. *Oct.* 30th.	To the Foot of my Account for Materials provided for, and Caſh paid the Workmen upon the Court-Houſe in *Providence*,	£. 250 6 0

CREDITOR.

		Lawful Money.
From 1762. to 1764.	By Caſh received of the General Treaſurer, at ſundry Times, £. 5000 Old Tenor.	£. 214 4 10
Oct. 30th.	Balance now due to *Daniel Jenckes*,	36 1 2
		£. 250 6 0

Providence, October 30th, 1764.

Errors excepted,

per *Daniel Jenckes.*

WE being appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of *Daniel Jenckes*, Eſq; and Mr. *William Wheaton*, reſpecting the Court-Houſe in *Providence*, do report, That we have examined their Accounts, and compared the ſeveral Vouchers, do find the above to be a true State of the Account of *Daniel Jenckes*, Eſq; and that the Balance of Thirty-ſix Pounds, One Shilling and Two Pence, Lawful Money, is due to him from the Government.

Providence, Oct. 30th, 1764.

Nicholas Cooke,
Eliſha Brown,
George Jackſon.
} Committee.

AND the Premiſſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted: And that the Sum of Thirty-ſix Pounds One Shilling and Two Pence, Lawful Money,

Money, being the Balance of the foregoing Account, be paid the ſaid *Daniel Jenckes* out of the General Treaſury, either in Lawful Money or Old Tenor equivalent thereto, according to Law.

WHEREAS the ſame Gentlemen preſented unto this Aſſembly the Account of *William Wheaton*, (of which an Abſtract is below) and alſo their Report thereon, as followeth, *to wit:*

Dr. the Colony of Rhode-Iſland *to* William Wheaton, *One of the Committee for finiſhing the Court-Houſe in* Providence.

	Old Tenor.
For Materials provided for the ſaid Court-Houſe, for Caſh paid the Workmen, and my own Labour,	£. 6721 4 5

CREDITOR.

	Old Tenor.
By the Difference in finiſhing the Council-Chamber for the Library, £. 11-6-8 Lawful Money, -	£. 264 10 0
By *James Greene*'s Bill overcharged, - - - - - - - -	1 0 0
By Caſh received of the General Treaſurer, - - - -	5000 0 0
	£. 5265 10 0
Remains due to *William Wheaton*, - - - - - -	1455 14 5
	£. 6721 4 5

THE above Balance of £. 1455-14-5 Old Tenor, reduced into Lawful Money at 23 $\frac{1}{3}$ for One, is £. 62-7-9 $\frac{1}{2}$.

WE being appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of *Daniel Jenckes*, Eſq; and Mr. *William Wheaton*, reſpecting the Court-Houſe in *Providence*, do report, That we have examined their Accounts, and compared the ſeveral Vouchers, do find the above, to be a true State of Mr. *William Wheaton*'s Accounts; and that the Balance of Sixty-two Pounds Seven Shillings and Nine Pence, Half Penny, Lawful Money, is due to him as One of the Committee from the Government.

Providence, Oct. 30th. 1764. *Nicholas Cooke*, *Eliſha Brown*, *George Jackſon*, } Committee.

AND the Premiſſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted: And that the Sum of One Thouſand, Four Hundred and Fifty-five Pounds, Fourteen Shillings and Five Pence, Old Tenor, being the Balance of the foregoing Account, be paid the ſaid *William Wheaton* out of the General Treaſury either in Old Tenor, or Lawful Money equivalent thereto, according to Law.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *Joſeph Waterman*, *James Olney*, and *Solomon Drown*, preſented unto this Aſſembly the following Report and Account, *to wit:*

We the Subſcribers being appointed, by the General Aſſembly at their Seſſion in *September* laſt, to audit the Accounts of the Directors of *Johnſton* Meeting-Houſe Lottery, do report, That the following is a State of the Account, *to wit:*

Henry Harris, Eſq; is in Arrear, and hath in his Hands, the Sum of Thirty-ſeven Pounds, Three Shillings and Two Pence, Old Tenor, belonging to the ſaid Meeting-Houſe.

John Waterman hath nothing in his Hands, having fully paid up or laid out his Part of the Deduction Money on the Meeting-Houſe.

Daniel Eddy is in Arrear the Sum of Nineteen Pounds and Fifteen Shillings, Old Tenor.

Gideon Waterman is in Arrear the Sum of Four Hundred and Seventy-five Pounds, Fifteen Shillings and Nine Pence, Old Tenor.

And laſtly, *Benjamin Belknap*, hath advanced over and laid out on the ſaid Houſe, the Sum of Two Thouſand and Thirty-three Pounds, Three Shillings and Six Pence, more than the Deduction in his Hands: So that the Houſe is that Sum in Debt to him.

Joſeph Waterman,
James Olney,
Solomon Drown,

1764. *The Colony Dr.*

To our Time and Expences in ſettling the above Account, 4 Days each, at 4*s.* Lawful Money *per* Day, - -	£. 2 8 0

And the Premiſſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be accepted: That the Account of the Committee be allowed; and that Two Pounds, Eight Shillings Lawful Money being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Joſeph Waterman*, *James Olney* and *Solomon Drown* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Joſeph Hazard*, and *Thomas Potter*, jun. Eſqrs. preſented unto this Aſſembly the following Report, *to wit:*

We the Subſcribers being appointed, by the Hon. General Aſſembly, to lay out the Limits of the Gaol in *King's-County*, have (according to ſaid Act of Aſſembly) extended ſaid Limits Eaſterly, Forty Feet from the Dwelling-Houſe; Southerly, Twenty Feet further than the former Limits were; Weſterly, ſo far as to take in the Little-Houſe and Well, as expreſſed in the ſaid Act; and Northerly, as the former Limits were before All which is ſubmitted to your Honors, by

Your humble Servants,
Joſeph Hazard,
Thomas Potter, jun.

And the ſaid Report being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted.

It is Voted and Reſolved, That the Act of Aſſembly paſſed at the Seſſion held in *May* laſt, eſtabliſhing a Table of Fees, be, and the ſame is hereby repealed.

Provided

PROVIDED Nevertheleſs, and *It is further Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Table of Fees be continued in Uſe until ſome other be introduced in its Stead: That *Gideon Cornell*, *Samuel Nightingale*, *George Taylor*, *David Comſtock*, and *James Arnold*, Eſqrs. or the major Part of them, be appointed a Committee to prepare a new Table of Fees: And that they lay the ſame before this Aſſembly as ſoon as poſſible.

WHEREAS *James Angell*, Eſq; Mr. *Benjamin Greene*, and *Othniel Gorton*, Eſq; preſented unto this Aſſembly the following Report, *to wit:*

IN Obedience to the Appointment of the Hon. General Aſſembly, we the Subſcribers having examined the ſeveral Charges on Account of the Small-Pox, do report, That there is due to the ſeveral Perſons undermentioned the Sum affixed againſt their Names, *to wit:*

David Anthony, - - - - -	£. 813	0	0	Old Tenor.
John Oldridge, - - - - - - -	24	16	0	Lawful Money.
James Carr, - - - - - - - - -	4	17	0	Lawful Money.
Ephraim Smith, for Board, - - -	1	3	0	Lawful Money.
Samuel Young, - - - - - - -	3	8	0	Lawful Money.
Caleb Fuller, - - - - - - - -	8	9	4	Lawful Money.
David Whipple, - - - - - - -	27	14	0	Lawful Money.
Jonathan Jenckes, - - - - - -	28	1	9	Lawful Money.

James Angell,
Benjamin Greene,
Othniel Gorton.

AND the ſaid Report being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted: And that the Sums therein mentioned be allowed and paid out of the General Treaſury, to the Perſons againſt whoſe Names they are reſpectively ſet.

WHEREAS Mr. *Moſes Brown* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for *John Brown*'s Bill for 128 Days Attendance at *Narrow-Paſſage* Ferry, to prevent the Small-Pox being brought into the Colony; for *Jonathan Hamman*'s Bill for a Smoke-Houſe, *&c.* And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Twenty-ſeven Pounds, Eighteen Shillings and Five Pence, One Farthing, Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Moſes Brown* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize and General Gaol Delivery, which was to have been held by Adjournment at *South-Kingſtown*, within and for the County of *King's-County*, in *May* laſt; and the ſame Court which was to have been held by Law on the Firſt Monday in *October* laſt, fell through, by Reaſon a ſufficient Number of Juſtices did not meet:

BE it therefore Enacted by the General Aſſembly, and by the Authority

rity thereof, It is Enacted, That the ſaid Court be, and is hereby revived; and that the ſame be held on the Firſt Monday in *December* next: That all Buſineſs lying or pending before ſaid Courts at the Times they fell through as aforeſaid, ſhall be then done and tranſacted; and that the ſame ſhall be as good, binding and effectual, to every Intent and Purpoſe, as if the ſaid Courts which fell through had been actually held, and the Buſineſs then and there done, tranſacted and effected.

WHEREAS this Aſſembly is informed, That there were brought to the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, held at *Newport* in *May* laſt paſt, ſeveral Actions by *James Eaſton* and others, the Committee in Behalf of the Friends Meeting at *Newport*, againſt *David Severs* and ſundry other Perſons; which Actions could not all be ſettled, by Reaſon that *Jonathan Freeborn*, *William Anthony*, and *Thomas Gould*, Eſqrs. Three of the Judges of ſaid Court, being Members of ſaid Meeting, declined giving any Judgment therein:

IT is therefore Voted and Reſolved, That *John Tillinghaſt*, Eſq; and Meſſrs. *Benjamin Wickham*, and *Evan Malbone*, be, and they are hereby appointed Special Judges, of the ſaid Inferior Court of Common Pleas, to ſit in *Newport*, on the Third Monday in *November* next: And that they, and the other two Judges of the ſaid Court, be, and they are hereby fully authorized and empowered to hear and determine all Cauſes that may be then pending, wherein the ſaid Committee of the Friends Meeting are Parties, as fully and effectually as the ſame could and might have been done by the ſtanding Judges of ſaid Court.

WHEREAS Mr. *George Rome*, Agent and Attorney to and for *John Caygill* and *William Stead*, Merchants in *Great-Britain*, repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That he had a Suit pending before the Superior Court of Judicature, which ſat at *Newport* in *September* laſt, between himſelf, in his ſaid Capacity, and the Heirs and Creditors of *Ebenezer Flagg*, late of ſaid *Newport*, deceaſed: That Iſſue being taken on a Matter of Law, the Cauſe came to be heard before the Court; and One of the Juſtices of the ſaid Court, having ſome Intereſt in the ſaid Cauſe, declined giving Judgment therein: And that the Cauſe being heard by the remaining Four, they were divided in Opinion, ſo that no Judgment could be given: And thereupon the ſaid *George Rome* prayed this Aſſembly to appoint a Special Juſtice to judge in the ſaid Cauſe, that there may be a lawful Iſſue of the ſame:

On Conſideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That *James Helme*, Eſq; be, and he is hereby appointed a Special Judge of the Superior Court of Judicature, (in the Room of *Job Bennet*, jun. Eſq;) to ſit in the aforementioned Cauſe; and, with the other Judges, to hear and determine the ſame as fully and effectually, to all Intents and Purpoſes, as the ſaid *Job Bennet*, could have done, if he could have lawfully ſat in the ſaid Cauſe.

WHEREAS Mr. *Jonathan Jeffers* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for providing Glaſs, and mending the Windows of the Gaol in the County of *Newport*: And the

the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Twenty-one Shillings and Ten Pence, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Jonathan Jeffers* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *John Hoyle* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for notifying the Aſſiſtants, Juſtices of the Courts, and Juſtices of the Peace for the Town of *Providence*, by Virtue of a Warrant from his Honor the Governor, to meet and conſult upon taking proper Meaſures to prevent the Small-Pox from being brought into the Colony from *Boſton*, *&c.* And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Nine Shillings, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *John Hoyle* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS the ſame *John Hoyle* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, another Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for notifying the Members of the General Aſſembly, in the County of *Providence*, to attend at *July* Seſſion laſt, by Virtue of a Warrant from his Honor the Governor: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That One Pound, Six Shillings, Lawful Money, thereof, be allowed and paid the ſaid *John Hoyle* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Eſeck Brown* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Work done by him upon the Court-Houſe in *Providence*: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Twenty-nine Pounds, Old Tenor, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Eſeck Brown* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Major *Samuel Currie* exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt *Baulſton Brayton*, Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *Providence*, for providing Glaſs, and mending the Windows of the Court-Houſe in *Providence*, *&c.* And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Three Pounds, Twelve Shillings and Eight Pence, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Samuel Currie* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *John Hammond* preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That in the Year 1762 he was an inliſted Soldier in the Service of this Colony: And that being upon Duty at Fort *Stanwix*, he had the Misfortune to meet with an Accident that deprived him entirely of the Uſe of his Right Hand, which hath rendered him incapable of procuring to himſelf a competent Subſiſtence: And thereupon the ſaid *John Hammond* prayed this Aſſembly to make him ſuch Allowance out of the General Treaſury as might be thought proper: And the ſaid Petition being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the Sum of Two Hundred Pounds, Old Tenor, be allowed and paid the ſaid *John Hammond*, out of the General Treaſury: And that he appear before this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion to ſhew Cauſe (if any he hath) for a further Allowance.

WHEREAS Mr. *William Goddard* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for printing a Set of Proclamations in the Year 1762, a Set of Proclamations in the Year 1763, for printing the Proceedings of the Governor and Council reſpecting the Small-Pox, and an Act of Aſſembly, in his News-Paper: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that One Pounds, Sixteen Shillings and Six Pence, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *William Goddard*, out of the General Treaſury.

An ACT ſtating the Fees of the Collector, Comptroller and Searcher of His Majeſty's Cuſtoms, and the Naval-Officer, within this Colony.

WHEREAS it is the undoubted Right of the General Aſſembly of this Colony to regulate and ſtate the Fees of all the Officers within the ſame, excepting only in ſuch Caſes where Fees are ſtated by an Act of Parliament, in which the Plantations are expreſly mentioned: And whereas the Laws heretofore made for that Purpoſe are found to be inſufficient, to the great Diſcouragement of the Trade of the Colony: For preventing whereof for the future,

BE it Enacted by the General Aſſembly of this Colony, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted, That from and after the Publication of this Act, the following Fees, and no other, ſhall be demanded and received by the Collector, Comptroller and Searcher of His Majeſty's Cuſtoms, and the Naval-Officer, in this Colony, in Lawful Money of ſaid Colony.

	Collector.	*Comptroller.*	*Searcher.*
For a Regiſter,	£.0 6 0		
For endorſing the ſame,	0 1 6		
For a Certificate for Naval Stores,	0 1 6		
For all foreign Veſſels entering inwards, and Permit to unlade,	0 4 6	£.0 2 0	£.0 2 0
For ditto entering out, and Permit to lade,	0 2 0	0 1 0	0 1 0
For all foreign Veſſels clearing out,	0 4 6	0 2 0	0 2 0
For a Certificate for unlading enumerated Goods,	0 1 6		
For a Bill of Stores,	0 1 0		
For every Cocket,	0 1 0	0 0 6	0 0 6
For every Bond for his Majeſty's Uſe, excepting ſuch as he is obliged by Act of Parliament to take without Fee,	0 1 6		
For diſcharging every Bond, excepting ſuch as is before excepted,	0 1 0		
For every Certificate, excepting ſuch as are excepted by Act of Parliament, to diſcharge Bond given, or Cocket taken, in any other Port,	0 0 6		
For a Liſt of the Veſſel's Company,	0 0 6		

For

For Coaſting Veſſels to the neighbouring Colonies.

	Collector.	*Comptroller.*	*Searcher.*
For entering in, and Permit to unlade, from *New-Hampſhire*, *Maſſachuſetts*, *Connecticut*, *New-York*, the *Jerſies*, and *Pennſylvania*, - - - - - - - - -	£. o 3 o	£. o 1 o	£. o 1 o
For clearing out to ditto, - - - - -	o 3 o	o 1 o	o 1 o
For every Bond for His Majeſty's Uſe, excepting ſuch as he is obliged by Act of Parliament to take without Fee, - -	o 1 o		
For diſcharging every Bond, excepting ſuch as is before excepted, - - -	o o 6		
For every Cocket, - - - - -	o 1 o	o o 6	o o 6
For every Certificate, excepting ſuch as are excepted by Act of Parliament, to diſcharge Bond given, or Cocket taken, in any other Port, - -	o o 6		
For entering in from other Ports between *Newfoundland* and *Georgia* incluſive, and a Permit to unlade, - -	o 3 6	o 1 6	o 1 6
For entering out, and Permit to lade,	o 2 o	o 1 o	o 1 o
For clearing out, - - - -	o 4 o	o 2 o	o 2 o
For every Cocket, - - - -	o 1 o	o o 6	o o 6
For every Bond for His Majeſty's Uſe, excepting ſuch as he is obliged by Act of Parliament to take without Fee,	o 1 o		
For diſcharging every Bond, excepting ſuch as is before excepted, - -	o o 6		
For every Certificate, excepting ſuch as are excepted by Act of Parliament, to diſcharge Bond given, or Cocket taken, in any other Port, - - - -	o o 6		

NAVAL-OFFICER'S FEES.

For a Regiſter and Duplicate, - - - -	£. o 6 o
For entering in of all Veſſels from foreign Parts, - -	o 4 6
For clearing out ditto, - - - - - -	o 4 6
For entering in from *New-Hampſhire*, *Maſſachuſetts*, *Connecticut*, *New-York*, the *Jerſies*, and *Pennſylvania*,	o 3 o
For clearing out ditto, - - - - - -	o 3 o
For entering in from other Ports between *Newfoundland* and *Georgia*, - - - - - - -	o 3 6
For clearing out to ditto, - - - - - -	o 3 6
For taking Bonds for enumerated Goods, - -	o 1 6
For ſigning Certificate for unlading enumerated Goods, -	o 1 6
For cancelling every Bond given for enumerated Goods,	o 1 o

ALL

ALL Fiſhing Veſſels, and Veſſels employed in bringing Fire-Wood, to pay no Fees, except they ſhall take on Board Goods and Merchandize, then to take a Cocket or Sufferance for the ſame.

ALL Veſſels paſſing within the *Narraganſett* Bay, or to and from any Branch thereof, or to and from any of the Rivers emptying into ſaid Bay, to pay no Fees.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That if the Collector, Comptroller, Searcher of His Majeſty's Cuſtoms, or the Naval Officer, of this Colony, ſhall demand and take (either by themſelves, or any Perſon under them, in their reſpective Offices) any other or greater Fees than what are by this Law eſtabliſhed, he or they, ſo offending, ſhall, for every ſuch Offence, forfeit the Sum of Fifty Pounds Lawful Money, to and for the Uſe of the Colony, to be recovered by the Attorney-General, in any Court of Record within this Colony: And ſhall alſo forfeit to the Perſon or Perſons from whom ſuch unlawful Fees have been exacted, Treble the Sum ſo taken more than the lawful Fees eſtabliſhed by this Act, to be recovered by ſuch Perſon or Perſons at the Inferior Court of Common Pleas within the County where ſuch Offence is committed, together with Coſts of Suit.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That if the Collector, Comptroller, Searcher, or Naval Officer, of this Colony, ſhall delay or refuſe to enter or clear any Ship or Veſſel, or to diſpatch the Buſineſs of any Merchant or Merchants in his or their Courſe, under Pretence of demanding any other or greater Fees than what are by this Law eſtabliſhed or under any other Pretence whatſoever; he or they, ſo offending, ſhall forfeit to the Perſon or Perſons injured thereby, Double Damages for every Day he or they ſhall delay or refuſe entering or clearing ſaid Ship or Veſſel, or diſpatching ſaid Buſineſs; to be recovered by ſuch Perſon or Perſons in the Inferior Court of Common Pleas in the County where the Offence is committed, with Coſts of Suit.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That from and after the Publication of this Act, the Collector, Comptroller, Searcher, and Naval Officer, of this Colony, ſhall have a Copy of the Table of Fees, eſtabliſhed by this Act, for each of their reſpective Offices, hanging up in their ſaid Offices, upon the Penalty of forfeiting Five Pounds Lawful Money, for each Day's Neglect or Refuſal of the ſame, to be recovered by the Attorney-General, to and for the Uſe of the Colony, in any Court of Record within the ſame.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That if a Searcher ſhould be appointed for any of the other trading Towns in this Colony, to whom the Merchants in ſuch Town ſhall pay any of the Fees eſtabliſhed by this Act, that ſuch Merchant ſhall not be obliged to pay any Fees to the ſame Office appointed at *Newport* for the ſame Duty or Service.

PROVIDED always, That all the Penalties, Forfeitures and Damages ariſing from, or by Reaſon of any Breach of this Act, be ſued for within Six Months after ſuch Offence ſhall be committed, and not afterwards: Any Law, Cuſtom or Uſage to the contrary hereof in any wiſe notwithſtanding.

AND

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That this Act be forthwith published.

PUBLISHED according to Order, in *Providence*, on the Third Day of *November*, by

HENRY WARD, Secr'y.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *John Goddard*, Esq; be, and he is hereby appointed a Justice of the Peace for the Town of *Newport*, for the remaining Part of the present Year, in the Room of *Daniel Goddard*, Esq; deceased.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That his Honor the Governor, *Nicholas Tillinghast*, *Joseph Lippitt*, *Joshua Babcock*, *Daniel Jenckes*, and *John Cole*, Esqrs. and Mr. *Nicholas Brown*, be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to prepare an Address to His Majesty for a Redress of our Grievances, in Respect to the Duties, Impositions, *&c.* already laid, and proposed to be laid, in this Colony; and that they present the same to this Assembly as soon as may be.

AND it is further Voted and Resolved, That the said Committee procure all such Records, Papers, and what else shall be necessary for them to perform the Business aforesaid, at the Charge of the Colony.

WHEREAS Mr. *Jonathan Ballou* exhibited unto this Assembly, an Account by him charged against the Colony, for making a Pillory, *&c.* And the said Account being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the same be, and hereby is allowed; and that Twelve Shillings and Two Pence, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the said *Jonathan Ballou* out of the General Treasury.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Gideon Cornell*, *Daniel Ayrault*, and *George Hazard*, Esqrs. and Mr. *Benjamin Greene*, be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to receive of *Edward Thurston*, Esq; Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office, all the Old Tenor and Bills emitted in the Year 1750, paid into his Office, and burn the same; giving him a Receipt therefor: And that they make Report to this Assembly as soon as conveniently may be.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Gideon Cornell*, *Daniel Ayrault*, and *George Hazard*, Esqrs. and Mr. *Edward Thurston*, jun. be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of the General Treasurer: That they receive of him all the Lawful Money Bills of all Sorts, in his Hands, which were redeemed according to Law, and burn the same: And that they make Report to this Assembly as soon as may be.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That his Honor the Governor be, and he is

hereby requeſted to write again to *Joſeph Sherwood*, Eſq; the Agent for this Colony in *Great-Britain*, and acquaint him of the Information this Day made to this Aſſembly, that a Number of Perſons within the Colony have petitioned His Majeſty to vacate the Charter of this Colony; and direct him to uſe his utmoſt Endeavours to prevent the Evil intended by the ſaid Petitioners; and alſo as ſoon as poſſible to tranſmit a Copy of the ſaid Petition, with the Names of the Subſcribers, to the Governor and Company of this Colony.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That the Sheriff of the County of *Providence* be, and he is hereby directed to procure a proper Table, One Dozen and an Half of Chairs, Three large Chairs, Two Locks to be put on the Doors of the Council Chamber. and the Room of the Houſe of Deputies, and One Pair of Andirons, with Shovels and Tongs: And that he lay his Account of the ſame before this Aſſembly.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That *Gideon Cornell*, Eſq; and Meſſrs *Metcalf Bowler* and *Benjamin Maſon*, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of Meſſrs. *Benjamin Wickham*, *John Mawdſley*, and *Joſeph Brown*, for repairing the Light-Houſe: And that the ſame Gentlemen be alſo a Committee to audit the Accounts of the ſaid *Benjamin Wickham*, reſpecting the Light-Money, *&c.* And that they make Report to this Aſſembly as ſoon as may be.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion: That the Secretary publiſh the Acts and Orders, now made and paſſed, by Beat of Drum in the Town of *Newport*, in Ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, and within Thirty ſend Copies of the ſame to each Town-Clerk in the Colony: And that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned until Tueſday the Twenty-ſeventh Day of this Inſtant *November*, then to meet at *Providence*.

GOD Save the KING.

PUBLISHED according to Order, in Newport, *on Monday the Twelfth Day of* November, 1764,

By HENRY WARD, *Secr'y.*

A true Copy, duly examined.

WITNESS, *Henry Ward Secry*

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At the GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of RHODE-ISLAND, and PROVIDENCE Plantations, in *New-England*, in *America*; begun and holden (by Adjournment) at *Providence*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on the laſt Tueſday in *November*, in the Year of our LORD One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-four, and Fifth of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty *GEORGE* the Third, by the Grace of GOD, KING of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Honorable STEPHEN HOPKINS, Eſq;

GOVERNOR.

GIDEON CORNELL, Eſq;
NICHOLAS TILLINGHAST, Eſq;
DARIUS SESSIONS, Eſq;
JOHN ALMY, Eſq;
JOSEPH LIPPITT, Eſq;
JONATHAN RANDALL, Eſq;
} Aſſiſtants.

The SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES

DEPUTIES from the ſeveral TOWNS.

The Hon. WILLIAM BRADFORD, Eſq; Speaker,

NEWPORT;
Mr. *John Wanton*, (Son of *Gideon*)
George Hazard, Eſq;
Mr. *Benjamin Greene*,
Capt. *Samuel Carr*,
Capt. *William Read*.

PROVIDENCE;
Daniel Jenckes, Eſq;
Mr. *Moſes Brown*,
Mr. *Jacob Wightman*,
John Cole, Eſq;

PORTSMOUTH;
Mr. *Thomas Brownell*,
Mr. *Oliver Earle*.

WARWICK;
Philip Greene, Eſq;
Othniel Gorton, Eſq;
Col. *James Arnold*, jun.
Capt. *Randal Rice*.

WESTERLY;
Joſhua Babcock, Eſq;
Mr. *David Maxſon*.

NEW-SHOREHAM;
None.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN;
Mr. *William Hall* (Son of *John*)

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN;
Benjamin Peckham, Eſq;
Mr. *George Hazard*.

EAST-GREENWICH;
Mr. *Ebenezer Hill*.

JAMESTOWN;
Mr. *John Gardner*.

SMITHFIELD;
David Comſtock, Eſq;
Samuel Winſor, Eſq;

SCITUATE;
Job Randal, Eſq;
Jeremiah Angell, Eſq;

GLOUCESTER;
Capt. *Iſrael Arnold*,
Mr. *Stephen Steere*.

CHARLESTOWN;
Gideon Hoxſie, Eſq;

WEST GREENWICH;
None.

COVENTRY;
John Rice, Eſq;

EXETER;
Daniel Barber, Eſq;

MIDDLETOWN;
None.

BRISTOL;
The Speaker.

TIVERTON;
Mr. *William Cooke*.

LITTLE-COMPTON;
Capt. *Thomas Brownell*.

WARREN;
Major *Nathaniel Peck*,

CUMBERLAND;
John Dexter, Eſq;
Joſeph Davis, Eſq;

RICHMOND;
Capt. *Simeon Clarke*.

CRANSTON;
William Burton, Eſq;
Capt. *Iſrael Gorton*.

HOPKINTON;
Joſhua Clarke, Eſq;
John Maxſon, Eſq;

JOHNSTON;
Lieut. Col. *Joſiah Thornton*,
Abraham Belknap, Eſq;

JOSIAS LYNDON, Eſq; Clerk of the Lower Houſe.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby ordered and directed, to pay and diſcharge the Order drawn by Mr. *Volikert Douw*, of *Albany*, upon the Committee of War in *Newport*, in Favour of Capt. *Robert Lawton*, dated at *Albany*, in the Year 1763, for the Sum of Four Hundred and Thirty-ſix Pounds, Seventeen Shillings and Six Pence, *New-York* Currency, which he hath given the Colony Credit for, and is ſettled with the Government in his Account: And alſo to pay and diſcharge the Balance due from the Colony to Mr. *Gerard G. Beekman*, Merchant, in *New-York*, being the Sum of One Hundred and Forty-nine Pounds, Seven Shillings and Four Pence, Half-Penny, *New-York* Currency, as appears by his Account ſettled with the Colony, and by an Order drawn in his Favour upon the General Treaſurer, by the Committee of War in *Newport*, dated *February* 17th, 1763, with the Intereſt due upon both the abovementioned Sums, out of the Money he hath received from *Philadelphia*.

AND it is further Voted and Reſolved, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed, to pay and diſcharge the Money due from the Colony to *Thomas Cranſton*, Eſq; either in Lawful Money or Old Tenor, out of the Firſt Money that ſhall be paid into the General Treaſury, he having been ſome Time out of his Money, and requeſted the ſame of this Aſſembly.

AN ACT empowering the General Treaſurer to diſpoſe of Three Thouſand Five Hundred and Sixty-two Pounds, Eight Shillings and Five Pence Sterling, being Part of the Money granted by the Crown to the Colonies.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed, and fully empowered, to ſell and diſpoſe of Three Thouſand, Five Hundred and Sixty-two Pounds, Eight Shillings and Five Pence, Sterling, (being Part of the Monies granted by the Crown to the Colonies, for reimburſing them the Charges which aroſe on raiſing Forces for the Expeditions againſt his Majeſty's Enemies) by drawing Bills of Exchange on *Joſeph Sherwood*, Eſq; the Agent for this Colony in *Great-Britain*, payable at Thirty Days Sight, in Favour of any Perſon who ſhall purchaſe the ſame, by bringing into the General Treaſury Gold or Silver.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Gold and Silver by this Means placed in the General Treaſury, ſhall be appropriated to the Payment of the Bonds given by the General Treaſurer for the Payment of the Lawful Money Bills of this Colony, emitted in *March* and *April*, *A. D.* 1759, and that what Gold and Silver ſhall remain in the Treaſury, after ſaid Bonds ſhall be diſcharged, be appropropriated to the Payment of the Bonds given by the General Treaſurer for Dollars; and that ſaid Bonds ſhall carry Intereſt 'til the General Treaſurer tenders ſaid Money, and no longer. *AND*

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to diſpoſe of the ſaid Sterling Money at the following Rate of Exchange, *to wit:* For every Bill of Exchange he ſhall draw for One Hundred Pounds Sterling, he ſhall receive One Hundred and Two Pounds, Ten Shillings, Sterling, and in Proportion for a greater or leſs Sum, reckoning a *Spaniſh* Silver milled Dollar, as alſo Six Shillings of the ſaid Lawful Money Bills of Credit, to be equal to Four Shillings and Six Pence Sterling.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Form of the Bills of Exchange to be drawn, be as followeth, *to wit:*

EXCHANGE for £. Sterling.
Newport, Rhode-Iſland, *A. D.* 1764.

IN Purſuance of an Act of the General Aſſembly of the Colony of Rhode-Iſland, *for Value received, at Thirty Days Sight of this my Firſt* per *Exchange, (Second and Third, of the ſame Tenor and Date, not paid) pay to or Order, the Sum of Sterling, out of the Money in your Hands, granted by the Crown to the Colonies in* North-America, *to reimburſe them the Charges of raiſing the Troops for the Expeditions againſt his Majeſty's Enemies: With or without further Advice from Your humble Servant.*

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to draw no Bill for a leſs Sum than Twenty Pounds Sterling.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to ſend a Copy of this Act to *Joſeph Sherwood*, Eſq; the Agent for this Colony, as ſoon as may be.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That a Copy of this Act be inſerted in the *Newport Mercury*, and in the *Providence Gazette*, Three Weeks ſucceſſively.

WHEREAS the Accounts of *Joſeph Sherwood*, Eſq; the Agent for this Colony, were laid before this Aſſembly, as followeth, *to wit:*

Dr. Joſeph Sherwood, *with the Colony of* Rhode-Iſland.

To Balance of laſt Account ſent,		£. 5696	18 7
1764. *Jan.* 4. To Caſh received at the Pay-Office, on Account of the Money reſerved as Part of the Diſtribution for 1760, *to wit*, in Caſh, - - -	£. 220	3 0	
To 2 Exchequer Bills, for £ 100 each, £ 200	0 0		
Deduct Diſcount, - -	1 18 0		
	198	2 0	
		418	5 0

20th. To

20th. To received of the Agent for *Connecticut*, on Account of the Overplus received by *Connecticut*, for the Year 1760, in Caſh, - - - - - - -	£. 413 12 0		
and Two Exchequer Bills, £. 200 0 0			
Deduct Diſcount, - - - 2 0 0			
	£. 198 0 0		
		£. 629 12 0	
April 6th. To Caſh received for the Share of the Colony of the Parliamentary Donation for 1762, -		8971 8 8	
		£. 15716 4 3	

CREDITOR.

1764. *Jan.* 4. By Caſh paid at the Treaſury and Pay-Office, on receiving the £. 418-5-0 *per* Contra,		1 5 0	
By ditto paid Proportion of ſundry Expences on the ſaid Reſervation, - - - - - - -		0 11 6	
By Bill on *Benjamin Bowen*, of *Providence*, payable to the General Treaſurer, - - - - -		31 17 8	
By Bills drawn by *Joſeph Clarke*, Eſq; General-Treaſurer, by Act of Aſſembly, dated the laſt Wedneſday in *October*, 1763. - - - - - -		3750 0 0	
By Bills drawn by ditto, by Act of Aſſembly, dated the laſt Monday in *February*, 1764, - - - - -		2576 0 0	
By Bills drawn by ditto, by Act of Aſſembly, dated the ſame Day, - - - - - - -		5000 0 0	
April 6th. By Caſh paid at the Treaſury, on receiving the Warrant for £. 8971-8-8, *per* Contra, - -		10 10 0	
By Caſh paid *Anthony Sawyer*, Eſq; at the Pay-Office, on receiving the ſaid Sum, - - -		9 9 0	
By my Commiſſions on £. 418, £. 629, and £. 8971, at Two *per Cent.* - - - - - -		200 0 0	
May. By Caſh paid the Clerk of the Houſe of Commons, for Copy of ſundry Bills relating to *America*, as they were paſſing the Houſe this Seſſion, -		2 7 8	
By Caſh paid for the Votes of the Houſe this Seſſion,		1 15 0	
Aug. 20th. By One Year's Salary, due this Day,		40 0 0	
By Expences and Gratuities to the Clerks, Meſſengers and Doorkeepers of the ſeveral Publick Offices, the Houſe of Lords and Commons, Coach-hire, Wateridge, and other petty Expences, from 20th *Auguſt*, 1763, to this Day, - - -		30 0 0	
By a Reſerve in Hand, for future Expences, Salary and Diſburſements, and to be accounted for hereafter, - - - - - - - - -		500 0 0	
By Balance due to the Colony, - - -		3562 8 5	
		£. 15716 4 3	

And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed and approved.

Whereas *John Cole*, Eſq; exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time, Horſe-hire, and Expences, in performing a Journey to *Boſton*, and procuring a Copy of the Addreſs of the Province of the *Maſſachuſetts-Bay*: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Ten Dollars, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *John Cole* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas Mr. *John Clarke*, jun. exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time, Horſe-hire, and Expences, in carrying the Rate-Bill to the Counties of *Providence*, *King's-County*, *Briſtol*, and *Kent*: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Thirty Pounds Old Tenor thereof be allowed, and paid the ſaid *John Clarke* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas the Committee, appointed to addreſs His Majeſty, upon Account of the Duties and Impoſitions laid, and propoſed to be laid, in this Colony, reported an Addreſs to His Majeſty; which being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is approved: And that Four fair Copies be made thereof, and ſigned by his Honor the Governor, in Behalf of the Governor and Company of this Colony, and ſent by the Firſt good Opportunities to the Agent of this Colony in *Great-Britain*, in order to be preſented to his Majeſty.

Whereas Mr. *Seth Arnold* preſented unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for erecting a Gate between *Cumberland* and *Smithfield*, and taking Care of the ſame, to prevent the Small-Pox being brought from *Boſton* into the Colony: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that One Pound, Ten Shillings, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Seth Arnold* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas Mr. *George Lawton* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for the Priſon Fees of *John Shearman*: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Two Pounds, Sixteen Shillings and Eight Pence, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *George Lawton* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas Mr. *Samuel Fowler* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for a Quantity of Glaſs delivered the late Hon. *John Gardner*, Eſq; for the Uſe of the Priſon-Houſe: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*,

Reſolved, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed ; and that Thirty-five Pounds, Eighteen Shillings, Old Tenor, the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Samuel Fowler* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Joſhua Spooner* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Work done upon the Court-Houſe in *Providence* : And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed ; and that One Hundred and Fourteen Pounds, Old Tenor, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Joſhua Spooner* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Robert Lillibridge*, jun. exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time, Horſe-hire, and Expences, in notifying the Members of the General Aſſembly in *Portſmouth*, *Tiverton*, and *Little-Compton*, to attend at *January* Seſſion laſt : And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That One Pound, Six Shillings, Lawful Money, thereof, be allowed, and paid the ſaid *Robert Lillibridge* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *David Harris* exhibited unto this Aſſembly an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for ſundry Bills by him paid for carrying on the Court-Houſe in *Providence* : And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed ; and that Two Hundred and Sixty-eight Pounds, Four Shillings, Old Tenor, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *David Harris* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *Baulſton Brayton*, Eſq; exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for ſundry Neceſſaries provided for the Court-Houſe in *Providence* : And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed ; and that Ten Pounds, Twelve Shillings and Five Pence, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Baulſton Brayton* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS the ſame *Baulſton Brayton* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, another Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for the Time and Expences of himſelf and his Aid, in receiving and conducting *John Shearman* to his Majeſty's Gaol in *Newport* : And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed ; and that Five Pounds, Fifteen Shillings, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Baulſton Brayton* out of the General Treaſury.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That *Joſeph Ruſſell* and *Edward Boſworth*, Eſqrs. be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to enquire what counterfeit Bills *Joſeph Munro* and others were concerned in making, and are now in the Hands of the Inhabitants of *Warren* ; and how much

much Money is in the General Treaſury that hath ariſen by the Eſtates forfeited by Means of counterfeiting ſaid Bills: Alſo to inſpect into all other Circumſtances reſpecting ſaid Affair: And that they make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requeſted to correct and finiſh the Piece lying before this Aſſembly, entitled, "The Rights of the Colonies examined:" That the ſame Gentlemen who were appointed at laſt Seſſion a Committee to prepare an Addreſs to his Majeſty, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to view the ſaid Performance, after it ſhall be compleated: That if they ſhall approve the ſame, that then His Honor be requeſted to procure Two fair Copies thereof to be made, (at the Charge of the Colony) and tranſmit them to the Agent in *Great-Britain*; to be by him put in Print, and to make Uſe of the ſame, in Conjunction with the other Agents, as they ſhall think will be moſt for the Advantage of the Colonies.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That the Inhabitants of the compact Part of the Town of *Providence*, as ſettled by Act of Aſſembly, relating the Engine, be, and they are hereby empowered to eſtabliſh a Watch in ſaid Town, and to tax the Inhabitants of the ſaid compact Part of the Town, for defraying the Expence of the ſaid Watch; and alſo to chooſe proper Perſons to aſſeſs and collect ſaid Tax.

WHEREAS *James Angell*, Eſq; and Mr. *John Jenckes*, preſented unto this Aſſembly, a State of the Account of *Gideon Comſtock*, Eſq; with the Colony, together with their Report thereon, and alſo an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, as follows, *to wit:*

Dr.----*Colony of* Rhode-Iſland *with* Gideon Comſtock, *One of the Committee of War.*

1762.		Lawful Money.		
Oct. 25.	To his Account audited, - - -	£. 1365	12	5
	To Caſh paid *Seth Allen*, - - -	9	16	0
	To Caſh paid *Joſeph Hart*, - - -	19	16	3
		£. 1395	4	8
	To my Commiſſions on £. 1395-4-8. at 1½ *per Cent.*	20	18	6
		£. 1416	3	2

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		Lawful Money.		
1762.	By Caſh received of the General Treaſurer, at ſundry Times, - - -	£. 1151	14	0
	By Caſh received of ſundry Soldiers in Camp, O.T. £. 923-15-0 Stores, - - - - - -	39	12	0

By

Deſerters:

	By ditto received of *James Pierce*,	£.	11	4	6	
	By ditto *James Smith*, - -		11	8	0	
	By ditto *Joſeph Eddy*, -		12	2	0	
	By ditto *John Bennet*, -		10	0	0	
						44 14 6
1763.	By Caſh received of the General-Treaſurer,					81 8 4
	By a Balance due to the Colony on the laſt Account,					80 1 3
1764.						£. 1397 10 1
Nov. 2.	Balance due to *Gideon Comſtock*, -					18 13 1
						£. 1416 3 2

Providence, November 2, 1764.

We the Subſcribers being appointed to ſettle the Account of *Gideon Comſtock*, Eſq; One of the former Committee of War, find the above Balance of Eighteen Pounds, Thirteen Shillings and One Penny, Lawful Money, due to ſaid *Comſtock*, his Commiſſions, at One and an Half *per Cent.* being included.

James Angell,
John Jenckes, } Committee.

Colony *Dr.*

To our Time in auditing the Accounts of *Gideon Comſtock*, Eſq; in 1763 and 1764, } £. 0 12 0

And the Premiſes being duly conſidered; *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be accepted: That the Balance of Eighteen Pounds, Thirteen Shillings and One Penny, Lawful Money, therein mentioned, be paid the ſaid *Gideon Comſtock* out of the General Treaſury: That the Account of the Committee be allowed; and that Twelve Shil- Shillings, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *James Angell* and *John Jenckes* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas there was exhibited unto this Aſſembly, the following Account of Mr. *Thomas Richardſon*, with the Colony, *to wit*:

Dr. Colony of Rhode-Iſland, *their Account current with* Thomas Richardſon.

1764. *Oct.* 15.	To Caſh paid *Volikert Douw* Two Votes of Aſſembly, One for £. 2393 0 8					
	One ditto, 199 16 9					
	York Currency,	£.	2592	17	5	
	Intereſt 7½ Months, at 6 *per Cent. per Annum*, }		97	4	7¼	
		£.	2690	2	0¼	*Philadel.* Cur.
	Exchange at 6½ *per Cent.* - -				£.	2521 19 4½
27.	To Caſh *per* the Sloop *Induſtry*, *John Earle*, Maſter, as *per* his Bill of Lading, . . . }					706 10 2½

To Poſtage 2 Letters from Gov. *Hopkins*,	£.0	11	8
To 1 Crocus Bag, . . .	0	1	0
To my Commiſſions on receiving, paying, exchanging Paper for Silver, and ſhipping, at Two *per Cent.*	65	18	0
	66	10	8
	£.3295	0	3

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1764. *Sept.* 18. By Caſh of *Samuel Preſton Moore*, in full for £.1910-3-0 Sterling, due from the Province of *Pennſylvania* to ſaid Colony, Exchange at 72½. . . .	*Philadel.* Cur. £.3295	0	3

Philadelphia, October 27, 1764.

Errors excepted,

Per *Tho. Richardſon.*

AND the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed and approved.

WHEREAS Mr. *Ebenezer Jenckes*, and others, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That the great Bridge over *Pawtucket* Falls is gone ſo much to Decay, that it will ſoon be dangerous to paſs the ſame, unleſs it be repaired: And thereupon they prayed this Aſſembly to appoint ſome ſuitable Perſon or Perſons to repair the ſaid Bridge:

On Conſideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That Capt. *Stephen Jenckes* be, and he is hereby appointed to repair the ſaid Bridge; and that he lay an Account of the Expence thereof before this Aſſembly.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That Mr. *William Wheaton* be, and he is hereby appointed to finiſh the Cellar Door of the Court-Houſe in *Providence*, and let the Cellar out to the beſt Advantage: That he procure the Roof of the ſaid Court-Houſe to be made tight; and Two Gutters to be paved, to carry off the Water which comes down the Hill at each End of the ſaid Court-Houſe: And that he lay his Account of the Expence thereof-before this Aſſembly as ſoon as may be.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That the Act eſtabliſhing a new Table of Fees, made in *May* laſt, be, and the ſame is hereby repealed.

WHEREAS Mr. *Daniel Branch* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Attendance upon this Aſſembly, during the laſt and the preſent Seſſion, for cleaning the Court-Houſe in *Providence*, and for cutting Wood: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be

be, and hereby is allowed; and that One Pound, Ten Shillings, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Daniel Branch* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAAS Mr. *John Dexter* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Attendance upon the Committee appointed to addreſs His Majeſty, *&c.* And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Fourteen Shillings, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *John Dexter* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS the ſame *John Dexter* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Attendance upon this Aſſembly, at the laſt Seſſion: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Twelve Shillings, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *John Dexter* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Benjamin Gorham* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Attendance upon the General Aſſembly, during the laſt and the preſent Seſſion, and for cleaning the Court-Houſe: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that One Pound, Seven Shillings, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Benjamin Gorham* out of the General Treaſury.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requeſted to write an Anſwer to the Letter received from the Right Hon. the Earl of *Halifax*, relating the Poſt-Roads.

WHEREAS Mr *Dudley Wade*, a Deputy Sheriff, under *Allin Brown*, Eſq; late Sheriff of the County of *Providence*, attached a Parcel of Land, by a Writ taken out by *Joſeph Pettingale*, againſt *John Pettingale*; and afterwards the ſaid *Dudley Wade*, as Deputy-Sheriff under *Samuel Angell*, Eſq; late Sheriff of the County aforeſaid, levied Execution in the ſame Action on ſaid Land, and ſold the ſame at Publick Vendue; but before a Deed was given, the ſaid *Samuel Angell* died: *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That *Baulſton Brayton*, Eſq; the preſent Sheriff of the ſaid County, be, and he is hereby empowered to make and execute a Deed of ſaid Land to the Purchaſer thereof, as fully and amply as the ſaid *Samuel Angell* could have done in his Life Time, as Sheriff as aforeſaid.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That the Secretary procure all the Acts paſſed by the General Aſſembly of this Colony, in the Year 1756, and ſend them to the Town-Clerk of *Providence*, thoſe formerly lodged in that Office being burnt with the Court-Houſe in *Providence*.

An

An ACT eſtabliſhing and regulating Fees.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted, That the Eſtabliſhment of the Fees of the ſeveral Officers in the Colony ſhall be as followeth for the future, in Lawful Money, *to wit :*

Fees of the General Assembly.

	£.		
For every Petition preferred to the General Aſſembly, to be divided between the Two Houſes ; the Upper Houſe One Third, and the Lower Houſe Two Thirds, over and above what is allowed to the Secretary and Clerk of the Lower Houſe, - -	0	6	0

In the Superior Court.

Fees of the Justices.

For the Entry of every Action for Trial, -	0	12	0
For taking every ſpecial Bail, - - -	0	0	9
For allowing a Writ of Error, - - -	0	0	9
For allowing an Habeas Corpus, - - -	0	0	9
For confeſſing Judgment, - - -	0	0	6
For acknowledging Satisfaction of Judgment upon Record,	0	0	6
For all Criminal Caſes where a Fine is ſet, - -	0	1	6
For taxing every Bill of Coſt, - - -	0	0	6

Clerks Fees.

For Entry of every Action, - - -	0	0	6
For filing Reaſons of Appeal or Anſwer, - -	0	0	3
For all Copies not exceeding one Page, - -	0	0	6
If above One Page, for the Firſt Page - -	0	0	6
For every Page above One, Twenty-five Lines in a Page, and Eight Words in a Line, - -	0	0	6
For every Action called, - - -	0	0	3
For a Scire Facias and Seal, - - -	0	0	8
For recording Judgment, - - -	0	0	9
For ſwearing every Witneſs, - - -	0	0	2
For a Writ of Execution, - - -	0	0	9
For writing Evidences, the ſame as copying,			
For Acquittal of Felony or Suſpicion thereof, - -	0	0	6
For entering a Rule of Court, - - -	0	0	6
For every Bond taken, - - -	0	0	6
For entering Traverſe upon Indictment, - -	0	0	4
For filing an Inventory of Goods taken by Execution,	0	0	3
For every Perſon ſummoned, - - -	0	0	3
For filing every Return in Court, - - -	0	0	2
For every Evidence and Paper in a Caſe, - -	0	0	2
For withdrawing an Action, - - -	0	0	2

To

For Diſcharge of every Perſon upon Bail to the Peace, and ſo forth,	0	0	4
For every Petition read in Court,	0	0	3
For Order thereon,	0	0	3
For examining every Bill of Coſt,	0	0	2
For ſearching the Records,	0	0	4
If above One Hour, for every Hour above One	0	0	4
For attending the Court by the Day,	0	2	0
For a Writ of Review,	0	1	0
For acknowledging Satisfaction of Judgment upon Record,	0	0	6

SECRETARY'S FEES.

For every Commiſſion for the Juſtices of each County, to be paid out of the General Treaſury,	0	0	9
For every Commiſſion for a Military Officer, to be paid out of the General Treaſury,	0	0	8
For a ſpecial Warrant, or Mittimus, by Order of the Governor and Council,	0	8	0
For every Commiſſion under the Colony Seal for Places of Profit.	0	1	0
For every Bond,	0	0	8
For every Order of the Council for the Benefit of particular Perſons,	0	0	6
For every Petition to the Governor and Council or General Aſſembly,	0	0	6
And where there is an adverſe Party,	0	0	8
For tranſcribing the Acts or Laws paſſed by the General Aſſembly into a Book, for every Page, Twenty-five Lines in a Page, and Eight Words in a Line,	0	0	9
For copying, the ſame as the Clerk of the Superior Court,			
For attending the General Aſſembly and General Council by the Day,	0	6	0
For affixing the Colony Seal to any Commiſſion, or other Writing for the Colony,	0	0	9
For entering a Proteſt in Court,	0	0	6
For proclaiming the Acts and Orders of Aſſembly,	0	3	0
For every Page of the Acts and Orders of the General Aſſembly ſent out in Print,	0	0	¼
For making a Certificate, and affixing the Colony Seal to any Writing to be ſent abroad, wherein the Colony is not concerned,	0	4	0

In the INFERIOR COURT.

FEES of the JUSTICES.

For entering every Action,	0	2	0
For taking ſpecial Bail,	0	0	6
For confeſſing Judgment,	0	0	3

For taxing every Bill of Coſt,	o	o	3
For every Special Court called; if the Judges meet they ſhall be allowed £. 0-12-0 whether the Action be entered or not,	-	-	-

CLERK'S FEES.

For every Writ and Seal,	o	o	6
For entering every Action,	o	o	4
For entering Judgment upon Record,	o	o	6
For all Copies, the ſame as the Clerk of the Superior Court,			
For every Action withdrawn, or Non Suit,	o	o	3
For every Writ of Execution,	o	o	9
For filing every Declaration, Reaſons of Appeal, and Anſwer or Plea,	o	o	3
For every Action called in Court,	o	o	2
Nor entering a Nihil Dicit,	o	o	3
For entering a Rule of Court to Referrees or Auditors,	o	o	4
For Bond in the Clerk's Office,	o	o	6
And where the Attorney being a Freeholder, becomes obliged, the ſame Fee,	-	-	-
For every Perſon ſummoned,	o	o	2
For every Paper and Evidence in a Caſe,	o	o	2
For ſearching the Records, for every Hour,	o	o	6
For every Return to Court,	o	o	2
For examining every Bill of Coſt,	o	o	3
For ſwearing every Witneſs,	o	o	2
For writing Evidences the ſame as copying,			
For entering Appearance,	o	o	2
For attending the Court by the Day,	o	1	6
For recording a Deputation from the Sheriff,	o	o	6
For a ſummon for Vouchers,	o	o	6
For acknowledging Satisfaction of Judgment upon Record,	o	o	3

CLERK of the SESSIONS of the PEACE, his FEES.

For entering Complaint upon Indictment,	o	o	6
For every Recognizance,	o	o	6
For the Diſcharge of every Recognizance,	o	o	3
For making forth a Proceſs againſt Criminals,	o	o	6
For every Warrant for the Peace or good Behaviour,	o	o	6
For Acquittal of Felony, or Suſpicion thereof,	o	o	3
In all other Reſpects the ſame as the Clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas.	-	-	-

JUSTICES and WARDENS of the PEACE, their FEES.

For a Writ of Arreſt,	o	o	6
For the Entry of every Action,	o	o	3
For every Summons,	o	o	3

For

For annexing an Account, - - -	0	0	2
For adminiſtring an Oath or Engagement, - -	0	0	2
For writing an Evidence, not exceeding One Page, Twenty-five Lines in a Page, and Eight Words in a Line,	0	0	6
And in Proportion for all above a Page, - -			
For Judgment, - - -	0	1	4
For the Recording thereof, - - -	0	0	6
For a Bond to the Peace or good Behaviour, -	0	0	8
For a Bond to appeal, - - -	0	0	6
For a Writ of Execution, - - -	0	0	8
For every Recognizance, - -	0	0	8
For the Copy of a Caſe, the ſame as the Clerk of the Inferior Court,	-	-	-
For taking the Acknowledgement of any Writing,	0	0	4
For marrying Perſons, - - -	0	3	0

SHERIFFS FEES:

FOR ſerving a Writ, not above One Mile from Home,	0	0	6
If above One Mile, for every Mile's Travel out, -	0	0	3
For attending a Perſon under Arreſt before impriſoned, by the Day (not exceeding Three Days in the whole)	0	1	0
For the Copy of a Writ, . . .	0	0	4
For attending the Court by the Day, . .	0	2	0
For Attendance in every Action, . .	0	0	2
For Diſcharge of every Perſon upon Bail to the Peace,	0	0	3
For every Paper or Evidence in a Caſe,	0	0	1
For a Bail Bond in Civil Actions, - -	0	0	6
For a Bond to the Peace or good Behaviour, -	0	0	8
For ſerving all Executions, not exceeding Five Pounds,	0	3	0

For ſerving an Execution, not exceeding Twenty Pounds, Four Pence on the Pound.

For ſerving an Execution, not exceeding Thirty Pounds, Three Pence on the Pound.

For ſerving all Executions above Thirty Pounds, Two Pence on the Pound.

N. B. No Fees ſhall be taken for any of the leſs Sums as included in the larger.

For all Executions ſerved One Mile or upward from the Court-Houſe, which are iſſued in the ſame County, Three Pence a Mile.

For every Writ or Execution iſſued from another County, for the Diſtance between the Court-Houſes, One Penny Half Penny a Mile.

For turning the Key on every Priſoner committed,	£.	0	0	6
For Diſcharge of every Perſon upon Bail to the King,		0	1	0
For ſerving a Summons, not exceeding a Mile from Home,		0	0	3

If above One Mile, the ſame travelling Fees as for ſerving of Writs

ATTORNEY

ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S FEES.

For every Bill of Indictment, or Preſentment, drawn and found by the Grand Jury,	0	10	6
For every ditto drawn and paſſed to the Court, if not found by the Grand Jury,	0	2	0
For every Criminal executed to Death,	1	0	0
For Diſcharge of every Perſon upon Bond to the Peace,	0	2	0
For every Day's Attendance in the Courts,	0	2	0
For appearing and pleading for the King, on an Appeal,	0	4	0

Other FEES allowed in COURT.

For Attorney's and Council's Fees,	0	4	0
For drawing a Bill of Coſt,	0	0	3
Every Perſon diſcharged from Bail to the King, ſhall pay the Sergeant	0	0	3
For every Witneſs ſummoned, and attending the Court by the Day,	0	1	6
And for Travel, Three Pence a Mile,			
For every Action called to the Sergeant,	0	0	2
For the Jury, to be paid down by the Plaintiff or Appellant,	0	12	0
For the Attendance of the Party recovering Judment by the Day,	0	0	8
For a Power of Attorney and Probate of the ſame,	0	1	0
For Travel of every Plaintiff and Defendant recovering Coſt, Two Pence a Mile,			
For annexing an Account to the Declaration or Anſwer,	0	0	2
In all Actions for the Colony's Tenth and Intereſt Bonds, Half ſo much as in other Caſes excepting to the Sheriff, for ſerving Writs and travelling Fees, the ſame as in other Actions.			

For PROBATE of WILLS, &c.

For the Probate of a Will where the Inventory exceeds not Five Pounds,	0	1	0
For every Five Pounds exceeding the aboveſaid Sum, to the Town Council,	0	0	3
For Probate of the Iventory where no Will appears, and where the Inventory exceeds not Five Pounds, to the Town Council,	0	1	0
If above, for every Five Pounds more,	0	0	3

TOWN-CLERK, and CLERK of the COUNCIL, their FEES.

For entering a Caveat againſt the Probate of a Will, or granting Letters of Adminiſtration,	0	0	3
For taking Bond, and granting Letters of Adminiſtration under the Seal of the Town Council,	0	1	6
For regiſtering and copying, if not exceeding One Page,	0	0	6

If

If above one Page, for every Page, Twenty-five Lines in a Page, and Eight Words in a Line,	0	0	6
For every Citation and Summons,	0	0	3
For a Bond, and granting Licence under the Town Council Seal,	0	1	0
For the Bond of every Perſon that comes to dwell in the Town,	0	0	6
To the Town Sergeant or Conſtable, for ſerving every Summons or Citation, if not above One Mile from Home,	0	0	3
If above One Mile from Home, for every Mile's Travel out, One Penny Half Penny,			
For recording every Marriage. - -	0	0	4
For recording every Birth, - -	0	0	4

NOTARY PUBLICK's FEES.

FOR drawing a Proteſt, ſwearing the Witneſſes, Regiſtering, &c.	0	6	0

CORONER's FEES.

FOR taking every Inquiſition, - -	0	4	0
Beſides the above Fee, £. 0-2-0 by the Day, for his Travel and Expences for every Inquiſition by him taken.			
Each Juror by the Day, - - -	0	1	6

The above Fees to be paid out of the Eſtate of the deceaſed, if any to be found; but if there ſhould be none, then the ſame is to be paid out of the Treaſury of the Town in which the dead Body is found.

TOWN SERGEANTS and CONSTABLES, their FEES.

FOR ſerving every Warrant if not above One Mile from Home,	0	0	6
If above a Mile, for every Mile out. - -	0	0	3
For the Copy of a Warrant, - - -	0	0	4
For a Bail Bond in Civil Actions, - -	0	0	4
For ſerving a Summons, the ſame as the Sheriff, -			
For attending on a Court of Juſtices by the Day,	0	1	0

CLERK of the LOWER HOUSE, his FEES.

FOR attending the General Aſſembly by the Day,	0	6	0
For the Entry of every Petition, - -	0	0	4

The other Fees, to the Secretary and Clerk, the ſame as the Fees of the Clerk of the Superior Court.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame it hereby referred unto the next Seſſion: That the Secretary publiſh the Acts and Orders, now made and paſſed, by Beat of Drum in the Town of *Newport*, in Ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, and within Thirty ſend Copies of the ſame to the ſeveral Towns in this Colony: And that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned until the laſt Monday in *February* next, then to meet at *Eaſt-Greenwich*.

GOD Save the KING.

PUBLISHED according to Order, in Newport, *on Monday the Ninth Day of* December, 1764,

By HENRY WARD, *Secr'y.*

A true Copy, duly examined.

WITNESS,

Henry Ward Secry

At the GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the *Engliſh* Colony of RHODE-ISLAND, and PROVIDENCE Plantations, in *New-England*, in *America*; begun and holden (by Adjournment) at *Eaſt-Greenwich*, within and for the ſaid Colony, on the laſt Monday in *February*, in the Year of our LORD One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-five, and Fifth of the Reign of His Moſt Sacred Majeſty *GEORGE* the Third, by the Grace of GOD, KING of *Great-Britain*, and ſo forth.

PRESENT,

The Honorable JOSEPH WANTON, jun. Eſq;

DEPUTY-GOVERNOR.

GIDEON CORNELL, Eſq;
JOHN ALMY, Eſq;
JOSEPH LIPPITT, Eſq;
JONATHAN RANDALL, Eſq;
SAMUEL BROWNELL, jun. Eſq;
JOSEPH HAZARD, Eſq;
THOMAS CHURCH, Eſq;

} Aſſiſtants.

The SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES

DEPUTIES from the ſeveral TOWNS.

The Hon. WILLIAM BRADFORD, *Eſq*; *Speaker.*

NEWPORT :
Mr. Metcalfe Bowler,
Mr. John Wanton, (*Son of* Gideon)
George Hazard, *Eſq*;
Mr. Benjamin Greene,
Capt. Samuel Carr,
Capt. William Read.

PROVIDENCE :
Daniel Jenckes, *Eſq*;
Mr. Moſes Brown,
Mr. Jacob Wightman,
John Cole, *Eſq*;

PORTSMOUTH :
David Anthony, *Eſq*;
Mr. Thomas Brownell,
Mr. Oliver Earle.

WARWICK :
Philip Greene, *Eſq*;
Othniel Gorton, *Eſq*;
Col. James Arnold, *jun.*
Capt. Randal Rice.

WESTERLY :
Joſhua Babcock, *Eſq*;

NEW-SHOREHAM :
None.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN :
Mr. William Hall, (*Son of* John)
Mr. Peter Phillips.

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN :
Benjamin Peckham, *Eſq*;

EAST-GREENWICH :
Major Preſerved Pearce.

JAMESTOWN :
Mr. John Gardner.

SMITHFIELD :
David Comſtock, *Eſq*;
Samuel Winſor, *Eſq*;

SCITUATE :
Job Randall, *Eſq*;
Jeremiah Angell, *Eſq*;

GLOUCESTER :
Capt. Iſrael Arnold,
Mr. Stephen Steere.

CHARLESTOWN :
Robert Potter, *Eſq*;
Gideon Hoxſie, *Eſq*;

WEST-GREENWICH :
Preſerved Hall, *Eſq*;
Job Spencer, *Eſq*;

COVENTRY :
Obadiah Johnſon, *Eſq*;
John Rice, *Eſq*;

EXETER :
Daniel Barber, *Eſq*;
Capt. Thomas Wilcox.

MIDDLETOWN :
Mr. Joſeph Rider.

BRISTOL :
The Speaker.

TIVERTON :
Mr. Job Durfee,
Mr. William Cooke.

LITTLE-COMPTON :
None.

WARREN :
Major Nathaniel Peck,
Mr. Cromel Child.

CUMBERLAND :
Joſeph Davis, *Eſq*;

RICHMOND :
Capt. Simeon Clarke,
Capt. Caleb Barber.

CRANSTON :
William Burton, *Eſq*;
Capt. Iſrael Gorton,

HOPKINGTON :
Joſhua Clarke, *Eſq*;
John Maxſon, *Eſq*;

JOHNSTON :
Lieut. Col. Joſiah Thornton,
Abraham Belknap, *Eſq*;

JOSIAS LYNDON, *Eſq*; *Clerk of the Lower Houſe.*

IT *is Voted and Reſolved*, That *Joſeph Hazard*, Eſq; the Sheriff of the County of *King's-County*, and Col. *Eliſha Reynolds*, be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee, to make ſuch Repairs in the Gaol in the ſaid County, as to them ſhall appear neceſſary: That they alſo enquire into the Circumſtances of the Dwelling-Houſe adjoining to ſaid Gaol, and whether the ſame may be purchaſed by the Colony, and for how much: And that they make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That *Joſhua Babcock*, *John Cole*, and *Daniel Jenckes*, Eſqrs. and the Attorney-General, be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to prepare a Bill, reſpecting the ſelling ſuch Lands as are, or ſhall be, forfeited to the Colony, by Virtue of Mortgage Deeds.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That *George Hazard*, and *Daniel Ayrault*, Eſqrs. and Meſſrs. *Edward Thurſton*, jun. *Joſeph Bull*, and *Joſeph Hamand*, jun. be, and they, or any Two of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of the Directors of the Market and Granary Lottery; and alſo the Accounts of the Committee who were appointed to build the Market-Houſe: And that they make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That *John Cole*, Eſq; and Meſſrs. *Nicholas Brown*, *Solomon Drown*, *Daniel Marſh*, and *Jabez Bowen*, jun. be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of the Directors of the ſeveral Lotteries for paving the Streets of *Providence*: And that they make Report to this Aſſembly as ſoon as may be.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That Mr. *Gideon Wanton*, jun. be, and he is hereby appointed One of the Committee (in the Room of Mr. *Benjamin Maſon*) with *Gideon Cornell*, Eſq; and Mr. *Metcalfe Bowler*, to audit the Accounts of the Naval Officer, and the Accounts of the Committee appointed to repair the Light-Houſe: And that they, or the major Part of them, make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *Godfrey Malbone*, jun. *Martin Howard*, jun. and *Edward Thurſton*, jun. who were appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of Col. *Henry Babcock*, preſented unto this Aſſembly a State of his Account, together with their Report thereon, as followeth, *to wit*:

Colony of Rhode-Iſland *to* Henry Babcock *Dr.*---

		Sterling.		
1760. *Jan.* 30th.	To Caſh paid the Treaſurer, 871 Half Johannes,	£.	1625	17 4
To a Bill of Exchange for £. 150-12-8, which being purchaſed at a Rate above Par, amounted to (as appears by the Schedule of *March* 1762)			163	17 0

To

To an Order on Mr. *Wheelwright*, - -	500	0	0
To Caſh paid Col. *Robinſon*, for the General Hoſpital,	72	5	10
To Caſh paid ditto for Mr. *Kilby*, - -	157	10	0
To Caſh paid *Thomas Cranſton*, Eſq; - -	51	3	1½
To my Expences, &c. to, at, and from *New-York*, as by Bill exhibited herewith,	62	17	7¼
To Caſh paid Col. *Robinſon*, for 129 Firelocks, loſt in the Campaign in 1760,	258	0	0
	£. 2891	10	11¼

CREDITOR.

1760. *Jan.* 20. By the Amount of the Billeting Rolls for the Years 1759 and 1760, received at *New-York*, from Col. *Robinſon*,	£. 2840	13	6
By an Advantage in receiving 871 Half Johannes in *New-York*, and paying them at *Newport*,	24	10	2¼
Balance due to *Henry Babcock*, - -	26	7	2¼
	£. 2891	10	11¼

WE have examined the Accounts of Col. *Henry Babcock*, in Purſuance of an Appointment of the General Aſſembly in *February*, *A. D.* 1764, and we find a Balance due to him, as above, of the Sum of Twenty-ſix Pounds, Seven Shillings and Two Pence, Three Farthings, Sterling, which we think ought to be paid him; with Intereſt from *January* 30th, 1760.

Godfrey Malbone, jun.
Newport, *November* 27th, 1764. *Martin Howard*, jun.
Edward Thurſton, jun.

AND the Premiſſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be accepted: That the Sum of Twenty-ſix Pounds, Seven Shillings and Two Pence, Three Farthings, Sterling, (being the Balance therein mentioned) be paid the ſaid *Henry Babcock* out of the General Treaſury, with Intereſt, at the Rate of Six *per Cent. per Annum*, from the Thirtieth of *January*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty, until the ſame ſhall be paid: And that if there ſhall not be a ſufficient Sum in the General Treaſury for the Payment thereof, That then the General Treaſurer draw a Bill for the ſame, upon the Colony's Agent in Favour of the ſaid *Henry Babcock*.

WHEREAS Mr. *Robert Lillibridge*, jun. exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for billeting ſeveral of His Majeſty's Mariners and regular Soldiers: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that One Pound, Eight Shillings and One Half-Penny,

Half-Penny, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Robert Lillibridge* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *William Hammond* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Time, Horſe-hire and Expences, in notifying divers Members of the General Aſſembly, in the County of *Newport*, to attend at the Seſſions held in *January* and *July*, 1764, by Virtue of a Warrant from his Honor the Governor, *&c.* And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Two Pounds, Ten Shillings, Lawful Money, thereof, be paid the ſaid *William Hammond* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Silas Downer* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for making ſundry fair Copies of Letters, *&c.* by Order of his Honor the Governor, and of the Committee appointed to prepare an Addreſs to His Majeſty; for his Attendance upon the ſaid Committee as their Clerk, *&c.* And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Two Pounds, Fifteen Shillings and Ten Pence, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Silas Downer* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *Robert Potter*, Eſq; exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for boarding and nurſing *Daniel Perry*, a Soldier in the Service of this Colony, in the Year 1762, who died at his Houſe, for his Burial, for the Doctors Bills, *&c.* And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Thirteen Pounds, Thirteen Shillings and Three Pence, Half Penny, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Robert Potter* out of the General Treaſury.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted, That in Caſe any Juſtice of the Peace, for any Town in this Colony, ſhall, upon Notification given him by the Town-Council of ſuch Town to appear before them, to render an Account of all ſuch Fines and Forfeitures as they ſhall receive, after the Publication of this Act, refuſe or neglect to render ſuch Account upon Oath, and make immediate Payment of ſuch Sums for the Uſes affixed by the Laws of this Colony, ſhall forfeit the Sum of Ten Pounds, Lawful Money, to and for the Uſe of ſuch Town, to be recovered by an Action of Debt, to be brought by the Treaſurer of ſuch Town, at the Inferior Court for the County wherein ſuch Town may be.

WHEREAS Mr. *Hezekiah Babcock* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for victualling Eight Soldiers, in the Service of the Colony, who were caſt away at *Stonington*, in the Year 1760, *&c.* And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that

Twenty-ſeven Pounds, Old Tenor, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Hezekiah Babcock*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *Joſhua Babcock*, Eſq; exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for his Attendance upon, and ſundry Medicines provided for, *Seth Chaſe*, a Soldier in the Service of this Colony, in the Year 1762 : And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed ; and that One Pound, Ten Shillings, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Joſhua Babcock* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr *Oliver Chaſe* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for billeting and nurſing his Son, *Seth Chaſe*, a Soldier in the Service of this Colony, in the Year 1762, who died at his Houſe : And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed ; and that One Hundred and Ninety-four Pounds, Six Shillings, Old Tenor, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Oliver Chaſe* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Meſſrs. *James Eaſton* and others, the preſent Truſtees in Behalf of the Friends Meeting in *Newport*, repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That there are now pending before the Superior Court of Judicature, to be holden at *Newport* on the Firſt Monday in *March* next, Two Actions by them brought, One againſt *Simon Newton*, and the other againſt *Benjamin Baker*, both of ſaid *Newport*, which cannot be tried at ſaid Court by Reaſon that Three of the Judges are intereſted, or nearly related to the Perſons concerned in the ſaid Diſpute, namely, *Thomas Greene*, *Job Bennet*, jun. and *Robert Hazard*, Eſqrs. And thereupon they prayed this Aſſembly to appoint other Judges in the Room of the ſaid *Thomas Greene*, *Job Bennet*, jun. and *Robert Hazard*, to try the ſaid Two Caſes :

On Conſideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That the foregoing Petition be granted : That *James Helme*, Eſq; and Meſſrs. *John Jepſon* and *Nathaniel Mumford*, (of *Newport*) be, and they are hereby appointed Juſtices of the ſaid Superior Court, in the Room of the ſaid *Thomas Greene*, *Job Bennet*, jun. and *Robert Hazard*, for the Trial of the ſaid Two Caſes, at the ſaid Superior Court : That they be, and hereby are fully empowered, with the other Juſtices of the ſaid Court, to hear, try, and determine the ſaid Two Caſes, as fully and effectually as the other Juſtices of the ſaid Court might have done, had they not been intereſted in the ſaid Caſes, or related to the Parties : And that they be commiſſioned by his Honor the Governor accordingly.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That *Edward Thurſton*, Eſq; Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office, be, and he is hereby directed to commence Actions againſt Meſſrs. *Samuel Currie*, *Benjamin Cozzens*, and *Matthew Cozzens*, and *John Andrew*, Eſq; for the Money due from them to the Colony :

Colony: *Provided nevertheleſs*, That the ſaid Actions be not brought until the Firſt Monday in *May* next.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That in Caſe *John Andrew* and *John Whiting*, Eſqrs. do not pay into the General Treaſury, the Money due from them to the Colony, within Thirty Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly, That then the General Treaſurer commence Actions againſt them for the ſame.

WHEREAS *Gideon Cornell*, *Daniel Ayrault*, and *George Hazard*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *Edward Thurſton*, jun. preſented unto this Aſſembly the following Report, *to wit*:

WE the Subſcribers being appointed by the Hon. General Aſſembly, at their Seſſion in *October*, 1764, a Committee to receive of *Joſeph Clarke*, Eſq; General Treaſurer, all the Lawful Money Bills, of all Sorts, in his Hands, which he redeemed according to Law, and burn the ſame, do report, That in Conſequence of ſaid Appointment, we have received of the ſaid *Joſeph Clarke*, the ſeveral Sums of Lawful Money Bills as follows, *to wit*: Money dated the Eighth of *May*, 1758, Three Hundred and Two Pounds, One Shilling and Nine Pence, Principal; amounting, with the Intereſt, to Three Hundred and Seventy Pounds, One Shilling and Two Pence, One Farthing: Money dated the Twenty-third of *December*, 1758, Three Thouſand, Six Hundred and Sixty-four Pounds, Eight Shillings and One Penny Half-Penny, Principal; amounting, with the Intereſt, to Four Thouſand, Five Hundred and Seventy-eight Pounds, Eight Shillings and Eight Pence, Three Farthings: Money dated the Fifteenth of *March*, 1759, Eleven Thouſand, Seven Hundred and Sixty-four Pounds, Six Shillings and Three Pence, Principal; amounting, with the Intereſt, to Fourteen Thouſand, Seven Hundred and Five Pounds, Two Shillings and Seven Pence, Three Farthings: Money dated the Fourth of *April*, 1759, Three Thouſand, Eight Hundred and Seventy Pounds, Fifteen Shillings, Principal; amounting, with Intereſt, to Four Thouſand Eight Hundred and Thirty-ſix Pounds, One Shilling and One Penny: Money dated the Twenty-third of *June*, 1759, Ninety-four Pounds, Principal; amounting, with Intereſt, to One Hundred and Five Pounds, Six Shillings and Three Pence, Three Farthings. All which Sums of Money, amounting to Twenty-four Thouſand, Five Hundred and Ninety-four Pounds, Nineteen Shillings and Eleven Pence Half-Penny, with Intereſt included, we have given the General Treaſurer a Receipt for, and have burnt the ſame.

		Principal.			Intereſt.					
May,	1758.	£. 302	1	9	£. 67	19	5¼	£. 370	1	2¼
Dec.	1758.	3664	8	1½	914	0	7½	4578	8	8¾
March,	1759.	11764	6	3	2940	16	4¾	14705	2	7¼
April,	1759.	3870	15	0	965	6	1	4836	1	1
June,	1759.	94	0	0	11	6	3¼	105	6	3¼
		£. 19695	11	1½	£. 4899	8	10	£. 24594	19	11½

Gideon Cornell,
Daniel Ayrault,
George Hazard,
Edward Thurſton, jun.

AND

AND the foregoing Report being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted.

WHEREAS *Gideon Cornell*, *Daniel Ayrault*, and *George Hazard*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *Edward Thurſton*, jun. who were appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of *Joſeph Clarke*, Eſq; General Treaſurer, preſented unto this Aſſembly a State of his Account, with their Report thereon, as followeth, *to wit :*

Dr. the Colony of Rhode-Iſland, &c. *Account with* Joſeph Clarke, *General Treaſurer of ſaid Colony.*

	Dollars.	Lawful Money.	Old Tenor.
To Lawful Money Bills delivered to the Committee, which they have burnt, of the following Emiſſions, *to wit :* *May*, 1758. £.370 1 2¼ *Decemb.* 1758. 4578 8 8¼ *March*, 1759. 14705 2 7½ *April*, 1759. 4836 1 1 *June*, 1759. 105 6 3¾ Intereſt included.		£.24594 19 11¼	
To ſundry Diſburſements *per* the Account kept in the Treaſurer's Book in alphabetical Order, from *Oct.* 12, 1763, to *Feb.* 13, 1765.	227 4*s.* 5*d.*	1757 5 10¾	£.9194 7 2
To Caſh paid Orders for Wages of Gunner and Soldiers of Fort *George*,			4093 4 7
To ditto paid ſundry Perſons, by Order of the Committee of War,	1627 2*s.* 8¼*d.*	1048 16 11	3777 17 6
To ditto paid ſundry petty Charges,			92 4 4
To ditto paid the Soldiers Wages who ſerved at Fort *Stanwix*, under Capt. *Cornell*, — —			24294 11 10
To One Year's Salary, from *May*, 1763, to *May*, 1764, — —			1000 0 0
Balance due to the Colony,	37 3*s.* 4¼*d.*	598 17 2¾	36266 16 5
	1892 4*s.* 5¾*d.*	£.28000 0 0	£.78719 1 10¾

CREDITOR.

	Dollars.	Lawful Money.	Old Tenor.
By Balance due to the Colony *per* Audit *Oct.* 15, 1763, — —	8 4*s.* 3¾*d.*		£.47151 5 1¾

By

	Dollars.	Lawful Money.	Old Tenor.
By Bills of Exchange drawn on Agent *Sherwood*, *per* Act of Aſſembly, made and paſſed *October* Seſſion, 1763, for £.3750 Sterl. at Par,		£.5000 0 0	
By a Tax made by Act of Aſſembly, at their Seſſion, *Auguſt*, 1763.		12000 0 0	
By Bills of Exchange drawn on Agent *Sherwood*, *per* Act of Aſſembly, made and paſſed *Feb.* Seſſion, 1764, for £.7576 Sterl. at Par,		10101 6 8	
By Caſh received of *Daniel Jenckes*, and Son, for a Bill of Exchange drawn by Agent *Sherwood* on them, for £.100 Sterl.		133 6 8	
By £.574 Sterling, drawn for on Agent *Sherwood*, by Act of Aſſembly, made and paſſed *July*, 1764.		765 6 8	
By the Town of *Smithfield*'s Proportion of a Tax made *Sept.* 1762. £.461 - 10 - 0 Lawful Money, which, at 18½ for 1, amounts, in Old Tenor, to — —			£.8460 16 8
By Caſh ſhipped from *Philadelphia* by *Thomas Richardſon*, *per John Earl*, £.706 - 10 - 2½ *Pennſylvania* Currency, which, reduced to Dollars, amounts to	1884 *os.* 2*d.*		
By Caſh received of *Iſaac Hart*, for Rent of the Colony-Houſe Cellar, One Year, — —			180 0 0
By ditto of *John G. Wanton*, late Naval Officer, *per* Act of Aſſembly,			641 11 0
By a Judgment of Court againſt *Benjamin Wickham*, Eſq; *March* Court, 1763, for Light-Houſe Money, — ——			2104 7 11
By a ditto againſt *George Gardner*, jun. for ditto,			1861 12 2
By ſundry Law Books ſold ſince the laſt Audit,			31 10 0

	Dollars.	Lawful Money.	Old Tenor.
By One Year's Intereſt of the 9th Bank, for the Year 1762, —			£. 11851 17 0
By neat Proceeds of Sales of ſundry Articles of Cloathing, belonging to the Colony, which were ſold by Order of Aſſembly, ——			6436 2 0
	1892 4s. 5¾d.	£. 28000 0 0	£. 78719 1 10¾

We the Subſcribers being appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of the General Treaſurer with the Colony, do report, That we have carefully examined his Books and Vouchers, and find that there is due to the Colony from *Joſeph Clarke*, Eſq; General Treaſurer, the Sum of Thirty-ſeven Dollars and Three Shillings and Four Pence Half-Penny, Lawful Silver Money; Five Hundred and Ninety-eight Pounds, Seventeen Shillings and Two Pence, Three Farthings, Lawful Money; and Thirty-ſix Thouſand, Two Hundred and Sixty-ſix Pounds, Sixteen Shillings and Five Pence, Old Tenor, as appears by the Account ſtated above.

Gideon Cornell,
Daniel Ayrault,
George Hazard,
Edward Thurſton, jun.

Newport, *February* 14th, 1765.

To the Hon. the General Aſſembly.

And the Premiſſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted.

Whereas Mr. *Jonathan Swett* preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That in *March*, 1762, his eldeſt Son, *Stephen Swett*, aged Seventeen Years, inliſted as a private Soldier in the Service of this Colony, under the Command of Capt. *Thomas Tew*, and was ſtationed at Fort *Stanwix*, upon the *Mohawk* River, where he continued until the Firſt Day of *November* following, the Time for which he at firſt inliſted: That he then reinliſted with Capt. *George Cornell*, to remain at ſaid Fort until the Firſt Day of *July*, 1763, expecting to be then diſcharged, and return Home, agreeable to the Terms of his Inliſtment: But that on the Thirtieth Day of *June*, the Company belonging to this Colony was ordered to remove to Fort *Ontario*, and there was forcibly detained: That after remaining at ſaid Fort until *December* following, and being in a very miſerable, ragged Condition, having received no Supplies of Cloathing, nor any other Neceſſaries from the Colony, he made an Attempt to return Home; but was ſtopped by the Regular Troops, and is ſtill detained by them: That he, the Petitioner, is in diſtreſſed Circumſtances, having a very large Family dependent upon him for their daily Support: And that if his Son be reſtored to him, he is capable of being ſerviceable to him in his Buſineſs, and aſſiſting him in the Maintenance of his Family: And thereupon the ſaid *Jonathan Swett* prayed

prayed this Aſſembly to take the proper Meaſures, that his Son may be releaſed and ſent Home.

On Conſideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That his Honor the Governor be, and he is hereby requeſted to write to the Commanding Officer at Fort *Ontario*, and deſire him to diſcharge the ſaid *Stephen Swett*, that he may return to his Parents: And that his Honor be alſo requeſted to tranſmit to the ſaid Commanding Officer a Copy of this Vote.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That *Gideon Cornell*, *George Hazard*, *Daniel Ayrault*, and *Edward Scott*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *Thomas Robinſon*, be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee to examine the Office of the Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office, and make an exact Liſt of all the Mortgages and Bonds belonging to ſaid Office, of each Bank ſeparately: And that the ſame may be more eaſily done, the Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office is hereby directed to collect all the Mortgages and Bonds belonging to ſaid Office, which he has put into the Hands of any other Perſons whomſoever, which have not yet been put in Suit: And that they make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

WHEREAS Mr. *Clement Reynolds* repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That he inliſted as as a Soldier in the Service of this Colony, under the Command of Col: *Roſe*, in the Year 1762: That being ſick, he could not proceed with the Regiment, but afterwards was ordered to follow the Regiment, which he did, by Land, at his own Expence; and that he was obliged to purchaſe a Blanket in the Camp, having been ſupplied with none by the Committee of War: Which being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That Forty-one Shillings, Lawful Money, be allowed the ſaid *Clement Reynolds* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *Gideon Cornell*, *Daniel Ayrault*, and *George Hazard*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *Benjamin Greene*, preſented unto this Aſſembly the following Report, *to wit:*

WE the Subſcribers being appointed by the General Aſſembly, at their Seſſion in *October*, 1764, a Committee to receive of *Edward Thurſton*, Eſq; Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office, all the Old Tenor, and Bills emitted in the Year 1750, paid into ſaid Office, and burn the ſame, do report, That we have received of ſaid *Edward Thurſton*, Keeper of ſaid Office, Nineteen Thouſand, Five Hundred and Eighty-ſix Pounds, Eighteen Shillings and Five Pence, in Bills of Old Tenor; and have alſo received of him, in Bills emitted in the Year 1750, equal in nominal Value (as printed on the Back of ſaid Bills) to the Sum of Forty Thouſand, Seven Hundred and Eighty-two Pounds, Seven Shillings and Three Pence, Old Tenor; both which Sums of Money we have, in Conſequence of the abovementioned Act of Aſſembly, given him

him a Receipt for, and burnt. We ſubmit this Report to the Hon. General Aſſembly, and are

Their moſt humble Servants,

Old Tenor burnt,	£.19586	18	5	*Gideon Cornell,*
Bills emitted in 1750, to amount in Old Tenor,	40782	7	3	*Daniel Ayrault,* *George Hazard,* *Benjamin Greene.*

Newport, February 4th, 1765.

N. B. Mr. *Thurſton* informed us, there remained in his Office, Bills emitted in 1750, to amount, in Old Tenor, £.4080, which he received into ſaid Office in Lieu of Old Tenor, and was left there by the former Committee; which Money we have not burnt.

And the ſaid Report being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted.

Whereas Mr. *Hopeſtill Potter* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for the Uſe made of his Houſe by the Juſtices of the Inferior Court, in the County of *Briſtol*, at *January* Term laſt: And the ſaid Account being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Two Pounds, Ten Shillings, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Hopeſtill Potter* out of the General Treaſury.

AN ACT for altering the Time of the Sitting of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Aſſize and General Gaol Delivery, in the County of *Kent*.

WHEREAS the Time appointed by Law for the Sitting of ſaid Court, in the County of Kent, *is on the laſt Monday in* April, *annually, which ſometimes happens in the ſame Week with the General Election, which is found to be very inconvenient*:

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted, That for the future ſaid Court ſhall be held on the Fourth Monday in *April*, annually: That all Judges and Officers of ſaid Court, and all other Perſons concerned therein, conform to this Act: That all Proceſſes returnable to ſaid Court, be returned at ſaid Time: And that all the other Buſineſs be then done and performed, as fully and effectually, as if the Time for holding of the ſaid Court had not been altered.

Whereas *Gideon Cornell, Daniel Ayrault*, and *George Hazard*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *Benjamin Greene*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for their Time in receiving of *Edward Thurſton*, Eſq; Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office, and burning,

£.60369-5-8

£. 60369-5-8 Old Tenor, Five Days each, at Six Shillings, Lawful Money, per Day: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Six Pounds, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Gideon Cornell*, *Daniel Ayrault*, *George Hazard*, and *Benjamin Greene*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *Gideon Cornell*, *Daniel Ayrault*, and *George Hazard*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *Edward Thurſton*, jun. exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for their Time in receiving of *Joſeph Clarke*, Eſq; General Treaſurer, and burning, £. 24594-19-11½ Lawful Money, Four Days each, at Six Shillings, Lawful Money, per Day: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Four Pounds, Sixteen Shillings, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Gideon Cornell*, *Daniel Ayrault*, *George Hazard*, and *Edward Thurſton*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *Gideon Cornell*, *Daniel Ayrault*, and *George Hazard*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *Edward Thurſton*, jun. exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by them charged againſt the Colony, for their Service in auditing the Accounts of the General Treaſurer, Three Days each: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Three Pounds, Twelve Shillings, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Gideon Cornell*, *Daniel Ayrault*, *George Hazard*, and *Edward Thurſton*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Silas Downer*, who was ſpecially appointed Attorney for the King at *Providence*, *September* Term, 1764, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account charged by him, and the other Officers of the Court, againſt the Colony, for the Amount of the Fees, as taxed and allowed in Two Bills of Coſt, againſt *Friday Still*, alias *Joſiah Tabor*, on his Conviction on Two ſeveral Indictments for uttering counterfeit Dollars, whom this Aſſembly diſcharged from Gaol: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Two Pounds, Fourteen Shillings and Ten Pence, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Silas Downer*, out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS *Simeon Matthews* preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That he is an *Indian*, hath taken a Wife who is Part *Indian* and Part *Negro*, *&c.* That notwithſtanding thereof, the Town of *Charleſtown*, contrary to common Cuſtom, and an Act of this Aſſembly, impoſed a Tax upon him in the Year laſt paſt, for which his Cattle were taken from him, and he was put to conſiderable Expence and Trouble: And thereupon the ſaid *Simeon Matthews* prayed this Aſſembly to releaſe him from the aforeſaid Oppreſſion.

On Conſideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That the foregoing Petition be referred unto the next Seſſion of this Aſſembly: And that in the mean Time the ſaid *Simeon Matthews* be not obliged to pay any Taxes.

WHEREAS Mr. *Samuel Sanford* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for making Four fair Copies of the Petition to His Majeſty: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed: and that Twenty Shillings, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Samuel Sanford* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Eliſha Sayles*, a Priſoner in His Majeſty's Gaol in *Providence*, preferred a Petition and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That he received upon Loan, of the Bills of the Eighth Bank emitted by this Colony, and alſo of the Bills emitted in the Year 1750, for which he mortgaged to the Colony a Sufficiency of his then Real Eſtate, lying in *Smithfield*, and likewiſe gave Bonds as collateral Securities, agreeable to the emitting Acts: That while he poſſeſſed thoſe mortgaged Lands, he punctually paid the Colony as the Bonds became due: That when Neceſſity obliged him to ſell his Lands, he deducted the remaining Sums then due to the Colony out of the Purchaſe Money, and left the ſame in the Hands of the Purchaſers, therewith to ſatisfy and pay the Colony: That notwithſtanding the Proviſion ſo made by him, there has been a Neglect in making thoſe latter Payments: That thereupon *Edward Thurſton*, Eſq; and others, the Truſtees for the Colony, proſecuted an Action thereon, and recovered Judgment againſt him at *Providence* Inferior Court, at *June* Term, 1764, for £.132-18-10 Old Tenor, Debt, and Coſt taxed at £.0-12-3 Lawful Money, for which he is now in Execution: That *Joſeph Clarke*, Eſq; General Treaſurer, alſo proſecuted an Action thereon againſt him, at ſaid Court, at *December* Term, 1764, and hath recovered Judgment for £.41-17-0 Old Tenor, Debt, and Coſt taxed at £.0-14-5½ Lawful Money: That he is altogether unable to ſatisfy the ſaid Judgments: That he hath a Wife and Six Children, whoſe Support and Suſtenance depend entirely upon his daily Labour: And that himſelf and Family (by Reaſon of his Impriſonment) now ſubſiſt upon the Charity of the People: And thereupon the ſaid *Eliſha Sayles* prayed this Aſſembly to liberate him from the aforeſaid Impriſonment, and to order all further Proceedings to be ſtayed on the laſt mentioned Judgment of Court, and the Colony's other Bonds againſt him that remain unpaid.

On Conſideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That the foregoing Petition be, and the ſame is hereby granted: And that the Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office immediately put the abovementioned Mortgages in Suit, unleſs the Poſſeſſors of the Lands immediately pay what is due, both of Principal and Intereſt.

WHEREAS

WHEREAS a Number of Perſons, Inhabitants of the Town of *Providence*, preferred a Petition unto this Aſſembly, praying that the ſaid Town may be divided into Two Towns, *&c.* Which being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Petition be referred to the next Seſſion of this Aſſembly: And that in the mean Time the ſaid Town of *Providence* be cited to appear at next Seſſion to anſwer the ſame.

WHEREAS a Number of Perſons, Inhabitants of the Town of *Providence*, preferred a Petition unto this Aſſembly, praying this Aſſembly to reject the Petition for dividing the ſaid Town of *Providence* into Two Towns; and that they may have Liberty to offer their Reaſons why the ſaid Town ſhould not be divided: Which being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Petition be referred to the next Seſſion of this Aſſembly.

WHEREAS a Number of Freemen, Inhabitants of the Town of *Warwick*, preferred a Petition unto this Aſſembly, praying that the ſaid Town of *Warwick* may be divided into Two Towns, *&c.* Which being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Petition be referred to the next Seſſion of this Aſſembly: And that in the mean Time the ſaid Town of *Warwick* be cited to appear at next Seſſion to anſwer the ſame.

WHEREAS a Number of Freemen, Inhabitants of the Town of *Warwick*, preferred a Petition unto this Aſſembly, praying this Aſſembly to reject the Petition for dividing the ſaid Town of *Warwick* into Two Towns, *&c.* Which being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Petition be referred unto the next Seſſion of this Aſſembly.

AN ACT making the Sheriffs of the ſeveral Counties within the Colony liable to be ſued at Special Courts.

WHEREAS it ſometimes happens that the Sheriffs and their Deputies do make Return of Executions into the Offices of the ſeveral Clerks in this Colony Satisfied, *and refuſe or neglect paying the Plaintiffs their Debts; and do alſo ſometimes return Executions* Unſatisfied, *without having Orders from the Plaintiffs for their ſo doing, which is a Delay of Juſtice:*

For Remedy whereof,

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted, That the Sheriffs of the ſeveral Counties in this Colony, or their Deputies, who ſhall return any Execution, which is delivered to them, to the Court to which the ſame is returnable, *Satisfied*, and do not pay the Debts due on ſaid Execution to the Plaintiff, to whom the ſame is due; or who ſhall return any Execution *Unſatisfied*, without having Orders from the Plaintiff for their ſo doing, or neglect to make Return

Return of any Execution in Term Time, to which the ſame is returnable ; that in either Caſe the Plaintiff, in whoſe Favour ſaid Execution was iſſued, ſhall have full Power and Authority to call Special Courts within Twenty Days after the Riſing of the Court to which ſaid Execution was returnable, for the Recovery of his ſaid Debt : And that the ſame Rules and Orders be obſerved in bringing forward ſaid Suit, and carrying the ſame into Execution, as are directed by the Act empowering Vendue Maſters of the ſeveral Towns to call Special Courts.

AN ACT for calling in and ſinking all the outſtanding Bills, emitted by this Colony in the Year 1760.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted, That the General Treaſurer iſſue his Notes to the Poſſeſſors of the Remainder of the Lawful Money Bills, emitted by this Colony in the Months of *March* and *May*, *A. D.* 1760, after the Ten Thouſand Pounds Tax for ſaid Bills be deducted, upon their bringing into the General Treaſury the ſaid Lawful Money Bills.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the General Treaſurer iſſue no Note for any greater Sum than One Hundred Pounds, and for no leſs Sum than Six Shillings, Lawful Money : And that the Time for Payment of ſaid Notes, be on or before the Tenth Day of *March*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-ſeven, for all thoſe given for the Bills dated the Tenth of *March*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty ; and that all thoſe given for the Bills dated the Twelfth of *May*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty, be payable on or before the Twelfth of *May*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-ſeven.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the ſaid Notes carry Five *per Cent.* Intereſt, from the Expiration of the Lawful Money Bills, until the Time of Payment.

AND in order the more effectually to prevent counterfeiting the ſaid Notes, *Be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid*, That *George Hazard*, Eſq; be, and he is hereby appointed to ſign the ſaid Notes with the General Treaſurer : And that they procure the ſame to be printed with ſuch Borders and Devices as they may think neceſſary.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Form of the ſaid Notes be as followeth, *to wit :*

Newport, *Day of* *A. D.* 1765.

FOR Value received into the Treaſury of the Colony of Rhode-Iſland, *by Order of the General Aſſembly, I* Joſeph Clarke, *General Treaſurer, promiſe to pay to or Order Lawful Money, with Five per Cent. Intereſt per Annum, on or before the Day of Anno Domini One Thouſand Seven Hundred Sixty-Seven. As witneſs my Hand.*

AND

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Sum of Twelve Thouſand, Four Hundred and Sixty-eight Pounds, Fifteen Shillings, Lawful Money, be paid into the General Treaſury, in ſaid Notes, or Lawful Money, by a Tax on the Inhabitants of this Colony, on or before the Tenth of *March*, *Anno Domini* One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Sixty-ſix: And that the Lawful Money, ſo placed in the General Treaſury, ſhall be appropriated towards the redeeming and paying off the ſaid Notes.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the Remainder of the ſaid Notes be redeemed at or before the Expiration of the Times for which they are iſſued, by a Tax upon the Inhabitants of this Colony.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That any Perſon or Perſons counterfeiting the ſaid Notes, ſhall be liable to, and ſhall ſuffer, the ſame Puniſhment as Perſons by Law are liable to for counterfeiting the Lawful Money Bills of this Colony.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That a Copy of this Act be publiſhed in the *Newport* and *Providence* News-Papers.

WHEREAS the General Treaſurer obtained a Judgment at the Inferior Court held in *King's-County*, in *Auguſt*, *A. D.* 1761, againſt *Oliver Gardner*, of *Eaſt-Greenwich*, in the County of *Kent*, Mariner an Infant, and Heir at Law to *Iſaac Gardner*, late of *Exeter*, in *King's-County*, Yeoman, deceaſed, and whoſe Real Eſtate he inherits; and *Silas Gardner*, of *North-Kingſtown*, in ſaid County, Trader; and Execution was levied on all the Real Eſtate, lying in *Exeter*, that *Iſaac Gardner* died ſeized of, by *Daniel Sunderlin*, a Deputy-Sheriff, appointed by *Gideon Hoxſie*, Eſq; late Sheriff of the ſaid County of *King's-County*; but a new Sheriff being choſen before the ſaid Real Eſtate was ſold, the ſame yet remains undone: *It is therefore Voted and Reſolved*, That *Beriah Brown*, Eſq; the preſent Sheriff of the County of *King's-County*, be, and he is hereby directed, and fully empowered, to ſell and diſpoſe of the ſaid Land, (firſt ſetting up Notifications according to Law) and give a good Deed thereof, and ſatisfy the ſaid Judgment with the Money ariſing thereby, which ſhall be as good and valid as if the late Sheriff had done the ſame while in Office.

BE it Enacted by this General Aſſembly, and by the Authority thereof, It is Enacted, That all Perſons hereafter petitioning, that the Inſolvent Act, made and paſſed by this Aſſembly in *June*, 1756, may be extended to them, ſhall, at the Time of preferring his, her or their Petition, exhibit therewith a juſt and true Inventory, ſworn to before any One Aſſiſtant, or Juſtice of the Peace, for the County where ſuch Petitioner is confined, either in Gaol, or in his own Houſe, of all the Real and Perſonal Eſtate they are poſſeſſed of, or have a Right to in Law, at the Time of petitioning; and alſo what Eſtate they have by Way of Remainder or Reverſion: Which Inventory, in Caſe the Petition ſhall be

received, ſhall be lodged with the Clerk of the Lower Houſe of Aſſembly, who is hereby allowed to give Copies thereof to any of the Creditors requiring the ſame. And if ſaid Petition is finally granted, then the Clerk of the Superior Court, in the County where ſuch Petitioner is confined, ſhall put out Advertiſements in the ſeveral Papers where the principal Creditors live, Three Weeks ſucceſſively, to notify the Creditors to appear before the Judges of the Superior Court, to nominate Commiſſioners, *&c.* agreeable to the aforeſaid Act, made and paſſed in *June*, 1756. And then the Judges are to proceed and govern themſelves according to ſaid Act.

WHEREAS *Henry Rice*, Eſq; Sheriff of the County of *Kent*, exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for One Dozen of Chairs, and Wood, procured for the Court-Houſe in ſaid County; for his Time, Horſe-hire, and Expences, in notifying the Members of this Aſſembly, in the County of *Kent*, to attend at laſt *July* Seſſion of Aſſembly; and in going to *Jameſtown* and *South-Kingſtown*, to notify his Honor the Deputy-Governor, and other Members of the Upper Houſe, to attend at the preſent Seſſion; for his Attendance upon the General Aſſembly, *&c.* And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Seven Pounds, One Shilling, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Henry Rice* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *James Fones* preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, that in *March*, 1762, his Son, *John Fones*, inliſted himſelf as a Soldier under the Command of Col. *Samuel Roſe*, but by Sickneſs was prevented from going into the Service, greatly to the Diſadvantage of the Petitioner: And thereupon the ſaid *James Fones* prayed this Aſſembly to make him an adequate Allowance for the ſame: Which being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſaid Petition be referred to the next Seſſion: That *Nicholas Gardner*, and *Thomas Potter*, jun. Eſqrs. be appointed to examine into ſaid Affair; and that they make Report to this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That *Gideon Cornell*, Eſq; Mr. *Metcalfe Bowler*, *Daniel Ayrault*, Eſq; and Mr. *William Richardſon*, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to receive of *Joſeph Wanton*, Eſq; late Collector of His Majeſty's Cuſtoms in this Colony, the Government's Part of the Money, which aroſe by the Forfeiture of a Sloop called the *Providence*, *Peleg Clarke*, Maſter, and her Cargo, ſeized and condemned by the Court of Vice-Admiralty in this Colony, in the Year 1757; and when received, to pay the ſame into the General Treaſury.

AND it is further Voted and Reſolved, That if the ſaid *Joſeph Wanton* ſhall refuſe or neglect to pay the ſaid Government's Part, as aforeſaid, the ſaid Committee is hereby directed to inform the General Treaſurer thereof, who is hereby directed, and fully empowered, to bring an Action againſt the ſaid *Joſeph Wanton* for the ſame.

WHEREAS

WHEREAS *Joſeph Clarke*, Eſq; General Treaſurer of this Colony, preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That in the Year 1762 he was ordered, by the General Aſſembly, to draw Bills of Exchange on the Agent in *Great-Britain*, for £.8861 Sterling; in *October*, 1763, for £.3750 Sterling; in *February*, 1764, for £.7576 Sterling; and in *July* following, for £.574 Sterling: That he performed the ſame, and drew Two Hundred and Twenty-two Sets of Bills in favour of ſundry Perſons: That in the Year 1763, he was ordered by the General Aſſembly, to receive of Mr. *Nathaniel Mumford* £.1953 *New-York* Currency, and therewith pay off Obligations which the late Treaſurer had given for Silver and Gold: That he received the laſt mentioned Sum moſtly in Paper Bills of the Provinces of *New-York* and *New-Jerſey*, and was obliged to get the ſaid Paper Bills exchanged for hard Money before he could apply it towards diſcharging the Colony's Debts: That in the Year 1764 he was ordered by the General Aſſembly, to pay off the Colony's Troops returned from the laſt Campaign: That he performed all the ſaid Services with as much Diſpatch and Punctuality as he was capable of: And that he apprehends they are diſtinct from the Office of General Treaſurer. And as there have been many Inſtances wherein his Predeceſſors have been allowed for extraordinary Services, the ſaid *Joſeph Clarke* prayed this Aſſembly to grant him an adequate Allowance for his abovementioned Services.

On Conſideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That Forty-two Pounds, Seventeen Shillings, Lawful Money, be allowed and paid the ſaid *Joſeph Clarke* out of the General Treaſury, for his aforementioned Services.

WHEREAS *Joſeph Ruſſell*, and *Edward Boſworth*, Eſqrs. preſented unto this Aſſembly the following Report and Account, *to wit:*

IN Purſuance of an Appointment of the General Aſſembly, we have enquired into the State of the Counterfeit Bills, which *Joſeph Munro* and others were concerned in making and paſſing, and find that there are lodged with the General Treaſurer, Twenty-nine Sixteen Pound Bills, (excluſive of the Four belonging to *Edward Boſworth*) with the Names of the Perſons, of whom they were received, indorſed on each Bill: And we further find, by the Account of *Nathaniel Boſworth*, Eſq; late Sheriff of the County of *Briſtol*, exhibited to the General Aſſembly at *October* Seſſion, 1759, That he hath given the Colony Credit for Money ariſing from the Sale of *Joſeph Munro*'s Real and Perſonal Eſtate, to the Amount of Five Hundred and Six Pounds, Seven Shillings, Old Tenor: And that there is now due from the Perſons who hired the Lands, belonging to ſaid *Munro*, for Life, which were let by Order of the General Aſſembly, One Hundred and Thirty-one Pounds, Old Tenor.

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WE

We further find lodged with the General Treaſurer, Twenty-three Sixteen Pound Bills, and Six Eight Pound Bills, made in Imitation of the Bills emitted in 1750. And by the Account of *David Wilkinſon*, Eſq; late Sheriff of the County of *Providence*, examined and paſſed by the General Aſſembly at *October* Seſſion, 1759, we find the Colony hath Credit for the Sum of Six Thouſand, One Hundred and Thirty-two Pounds, Eleven Shillings and Six Pence, Old Tenor, ariſing from the Sale of the Eſtates of *Samuel Bartlet*, *Richard Smith*, and *David Brown*: And by the Account of *Allin Brown*, Eſq; for the Sale of Part of ſaid *Bartlet*'s Real Eſtate, Two Hundred and Forty Pounds, Old Tenor.

£.	6132	11	6
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£.	6372	11	6

All which is ſubmitted by *Joſeph Ruſſell*, *Edward Boſworth*, } Committee.

Colony of Rhode-Iſland *Dr. to the Committee.*

To *Joſeph Ruſſell*, for going to *Newport*, 3 Days, Time and Expences, at 6*s*. - - - -	£.	0	18 0
To *Edward Boſworth*, for 5 Days, at 6*s*. - -		1	10 0
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And the Premiſſes being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the foregoing Report be, and the ſame is hereby accepted: That the Sum of Four Hundred and Sixty-four Pounds, Old Tenor, be paid, by the General Treaſurer, for the Twenty-nine counterfeit Sixteen Pound Bills, firſt mentioned in the ſaid Report, to the Perſons whoſe Names are written on the Backs of ſaid Bills: That the Account of the Committee be allowed; and that Eighteen Shillings, Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Joſeph Ruſſell*, and One Pound, Ten Shillings, Lawful Money, be paid the ſaid *Edward Boſworth*, out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas *Philip Greene*, and *William Burton*, Eſqrs. preſented unto this Aſſembly the following Report, *to wit*:

We the Subſcribers, being a Committee appointed by the Hon. General Aſſembly, to inſpect an Affair relative to a Set of the Colony's Bonds, originally given by *Benjamin Pearce*, of *Warwick*, Part of which have ſince been exchanged by Capt. *Randall Rice*, do report, That we have carefully inſpected the Affair, and find there are Ten Principal Bonds taken up, and Eleven Intereſt Bonds: And it alſo appears, there remains One Intereſt Bond in the Hands of *Thomas Aldrich*, which makes out, that Capt. *Rice* hath already paid One Bond more than was his due to pay, through ſaid Errors.

Philip Greene,
William Burton.

And

And the foregoing Report being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is accepted: That the General Treaſurer pay to Capt. *Randall Rice*, the Sum of Twenty Pounds and Eleven Pence, Old Tenor; and deliver him the aforementioned Bond, which lies againſt him in the General Treaſury.

Whereas Mr. *Ebenezer Slocum* preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That he hath met with heavy and grievous Loſſes by Sea, which hath reduced him greatly: And thereupon the ſaid *Ebenezer Slocum* prayed this Aſſembly to grant him a Lottery, for raiſing a Sum of Money, to erect Two good Freight Boats, and other Things neceſſary for the Tranſportation of Paſſengers and Effects to *Newport* and elſewhere, which will not only tend to his private Benefit, but alſo be of great Advantage to the Publick, he having a very convenient Place, for that Purpoſe, at *Updikes Newton*, (ſo called) in *North-Kingſtown*.

On Conſideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That the foregoing Petition be, and the ſame is hereby granted, (the Colony being free from any Expence:) That *Samuel Brownell*, and *Benoni Hall*, Eſqrs. and Mr. *Peter Phillips*, be, and they are hereby appointed Directors of the ſaid Lottery: And that the Directors give Bond for the faithful Performance of their Truſt, agreeable to Law.

Whereas Mr. *Eliſha Ballou* preferred a Petition, and repreſented unto this Aſſembly, That he exhibited an Account againſt the Colony, for Service done, *&c.* to the General Aſſembly held in *February*, 1764; at which Seſſion the Houſe appointed a Committee to inſpect into, and ſettle the Affair, who, having performed the ſame, reported, that there was due, Three Hundred and Fifty-two Pounds, Old Tenor, to the Petitioner: And that only Two Hundred Pounds, Old Tenor, hath been ordered to be paid by the Aſſembly: And thereupon the ſaid *Eliſha Ballou* prayed this Aſſembly, that he may be allowed the Remainder.

And the foregoing Petition being duly conſidered, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is granted: And that One Hundred and Fifty-two Pounds, Old Tenor, be paid the ſaid *Eliſha Ballou* out of the General Treaſury.

Whereas Mr. *William Goddard* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for printing a Pamphlet, entituled, "The Rights of Colonies": And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Three Pounds, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *William Goddard* out of the General Treaſury.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That the Remainder of the Sterling Money, in the Hands of *Joſeph Sherwood*, Eſq; the Agent for this Colony in *Great-Britain*, for which this Aſſembly, at the laſt Seſſion, directed the General Treaſurer to draw Bills of Exchange at Two and an Half *per Cent.* above Par, be now drawn for by the General Treaſurer at Par: And that the Money ariſing from the Sale of the ſaid Bills, be appropriated to the ſame Uſes as directed in the Act diſpoſing of the ſaid Sterling Money.

AND it is further Voted and Reſolved, That the General Treaſurer be, and he is hereby directed to publiſh the Terms of Sale of the ſaid Bills in the *Newport*, *Providence*, and *Boſton* News-Papers as ſoon as may be.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That the Attorney-General prepare a Bill, to ſhorten the Time for the Redemption of Mortgages, or introducing ſuch Statutes, (if any there be) as will effect that Purpoſe: That he alſo prepare a Bill eſtabliſhing the Intereſt to be taken in this Colony, at Six *per Cent. per Annum*: And that he lay the ſaid Bills before this Aſſembly at the next Seſſion.

WHEREAS Mr. *William Sweet* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for cleaning the Court-Houſe in the County of *Kent*, and attending upon this Aſſembly during the preſent Seſſion: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Twenty-one Shillings, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *William Sweet* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Edmund Johnſon* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for cleaning the Court-Houſe in the County of *Kent*, cutting and carrying in Wood, and for his Attendance upon this Aſſembly at the preſent Seſſion: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Twenty-two Shillings, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Edmund Johnſon* out of the General Treaſury.

WHEREAS Mr. *Thomas Briggs* exhibited unto this Aſſembly, an Account by him charged againſt the Colony, for Six Days Attendance upon this Aſſembly at the preſent Seſſion: And the ſaid Account being duly examined, *It is Voted and Reſolved*, That the ſame be, and hereby is allowed; and that Eighteen Shillings, Lawful Money, being the Amount thereof, be paid the ſaid *Thomas Briggs* out of the General Treaſury.

IT is Voted and Reſolved, That all Buſineſs lying before this Aſſembly, unfiniſhed, be, and the ſame is hereby referred unto the next Seſſion: That the Secretary publiſh the Acts and Orders, now made and paſſed, by

by Beat of Drum in the Town of *Newport*, in Ten Days after the Riſing of this Aſſembly; and within Thirty, ſend Copies of the ſame to each Town-Clerk in the Colony: And that this Aſſembly be, and hereby is adjourned to the laſt Day in *April* next, if called at that Time, but if not called before, nor at ſaid Day, then this Aſſembly ſhall be, and hereby is diſſolved.

GOD Save the KING.

Publiſhed according to Order, on Monday the 11th of March, 1765, *by*

HENRY WARD, *Secr'y.*

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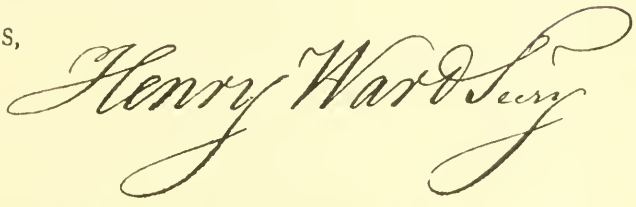

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